LAGOON

1955

ARTHS

JOHN B. ATKINS

Best of luck
and sweet dreams.
Alice
'57 Markham

Dohn, Have the best time of all this summer, and I'll see you next year when we're SENIORS!
Love ya all
Vicki

RICH TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL LAGOON

1954 - 1955

Good luck to a very nice guy
Paul Becker

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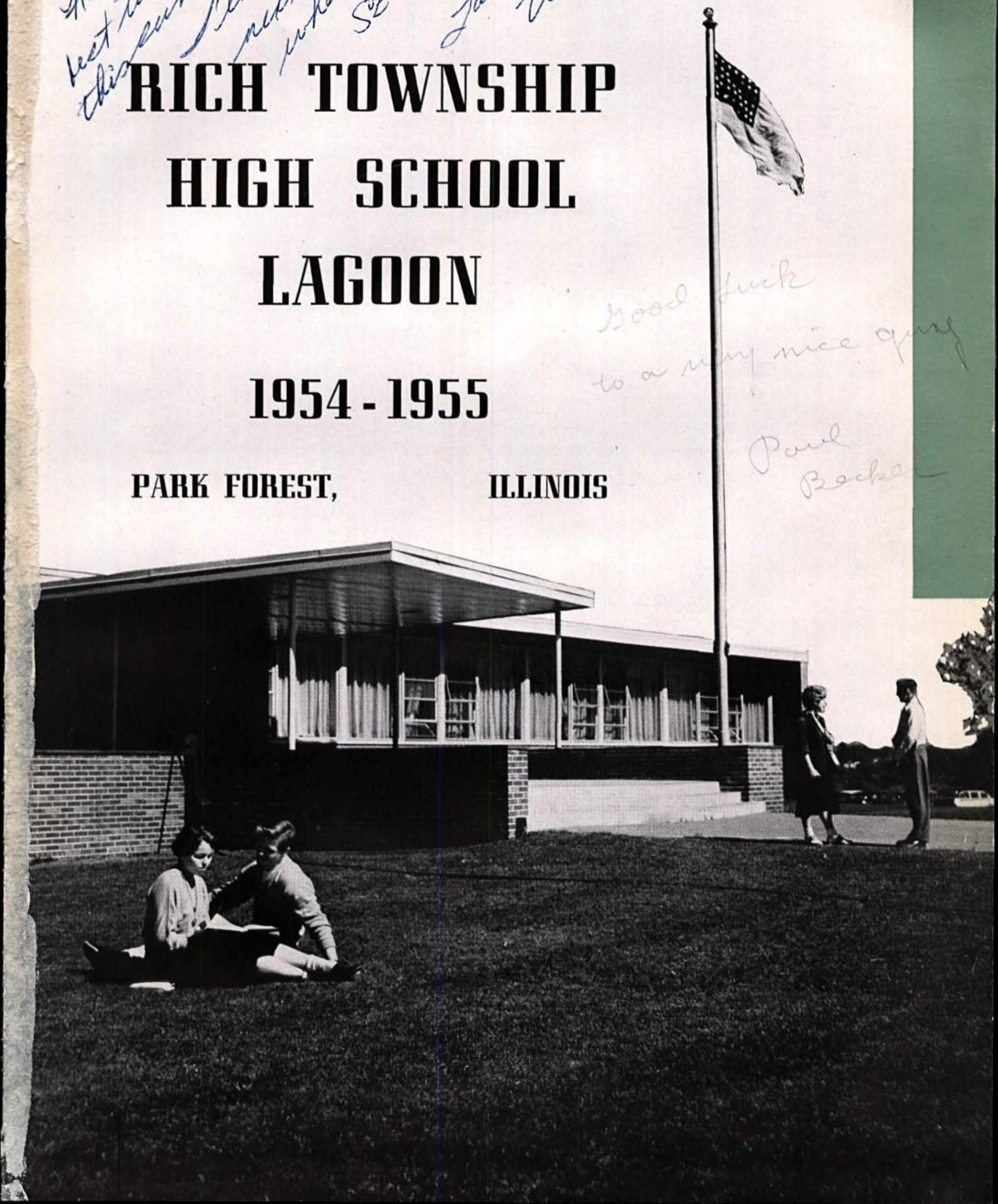

To You, the Students

Through the many weeks which have fashioned this school year, you have been our pattern, guide . . . inspiration. To you, the student body, the staff enthusiastically dedicates this 1955 Lagoon. Walking with you through your memories, echoing your achievements and school spirit . . . this book is you.

Lots of luck to a real stemp jumper
Ken Randall

Best of Wishes to Johnny Q. who's running 2:01 next time out
Jim 'Red' Otterberg

FACULTY

Rich Township High School is fortunate to have one of the highest trained, most enthusiastic, and young but not inexperienced faculties in the United States today.

As students we can never pass over lightly the contributions they all have made to our education and our lives. Who can forget the staff of coaches and directors who brought us state-wide honors in the fields of athletics and music?

But it is not only individual teachers, but the faculty as a whole, who has shown interest in us as individuals and taught us to think, work, and act for ourselves. We could not ask more.

— Lee Stanfield

Good luck to you and Carol in the quintet!
Love, Roberta

DR. ERIC R. BABER

Superintendent

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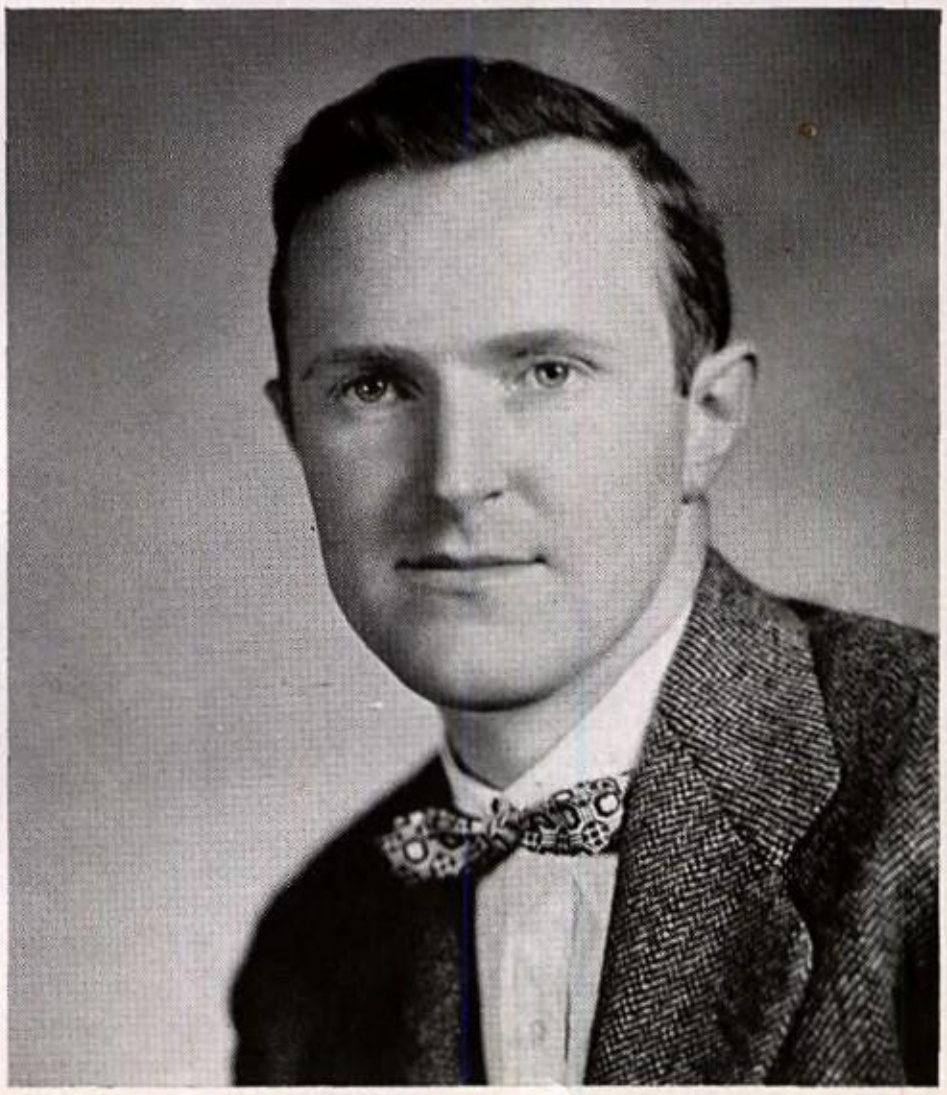
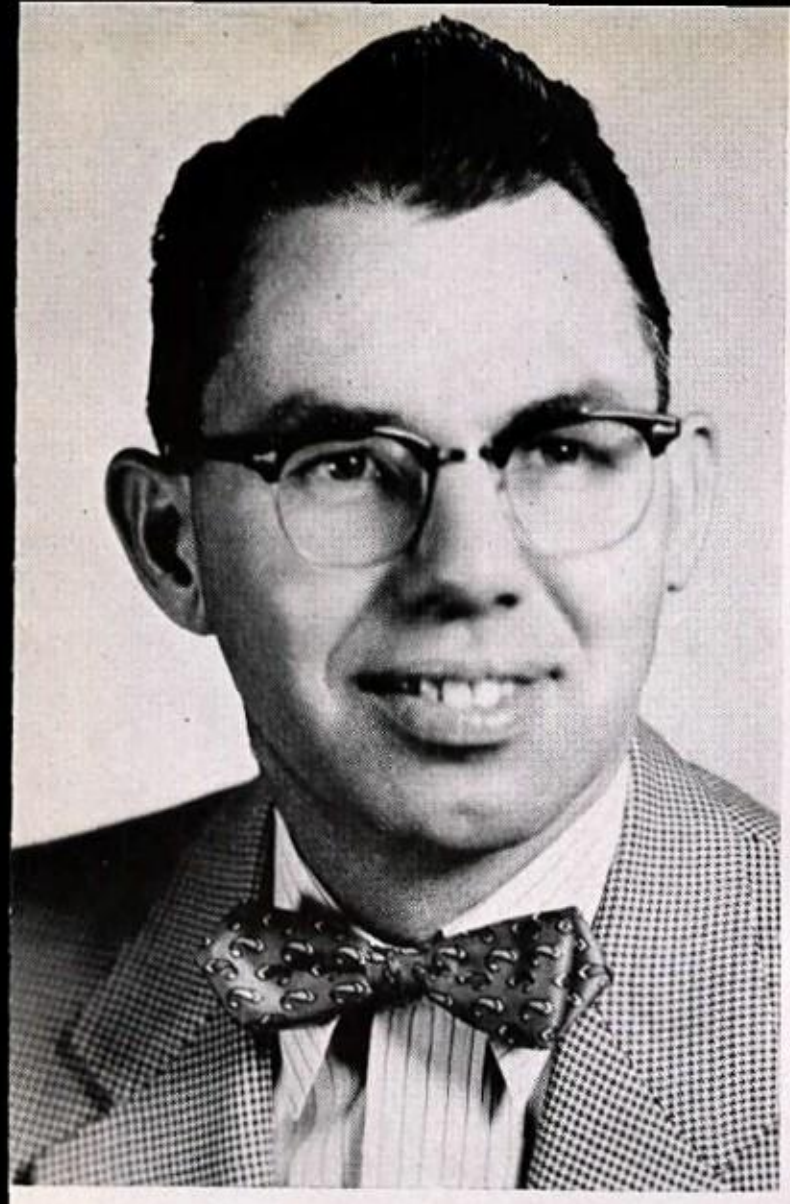
Administrative Assistant





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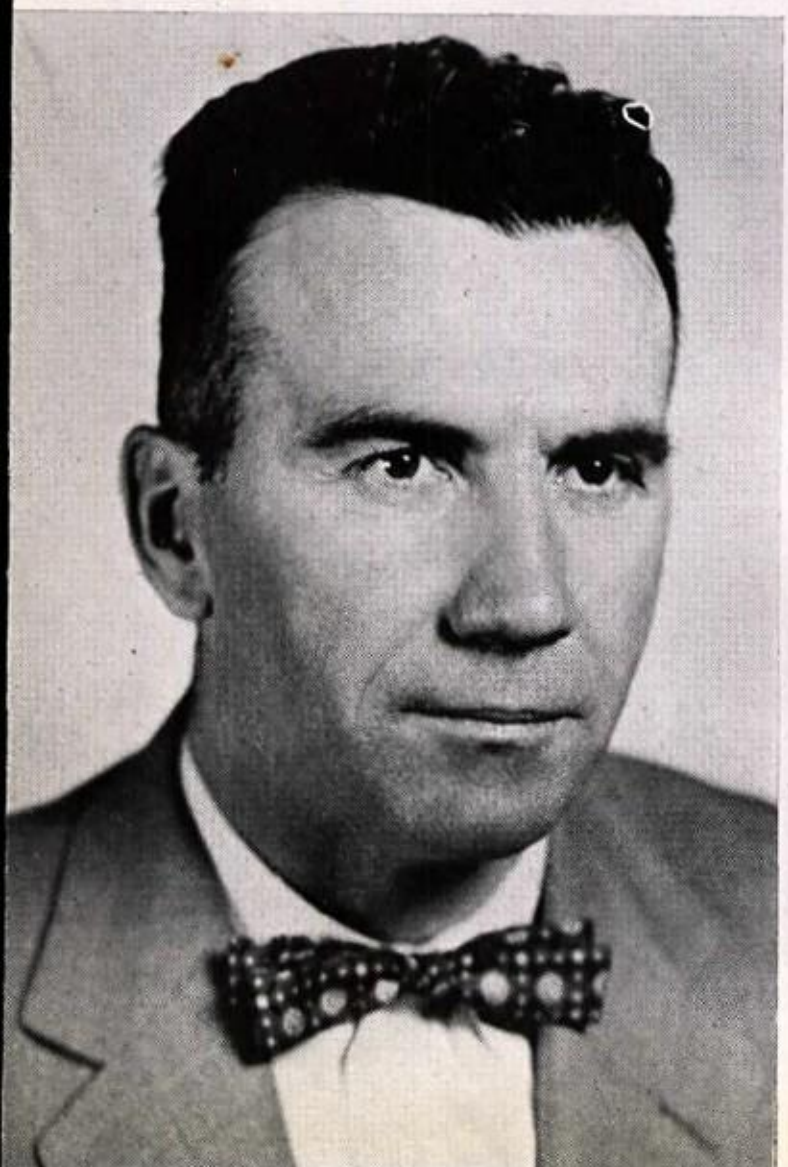

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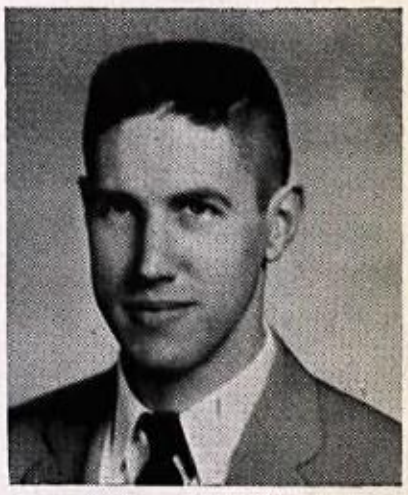

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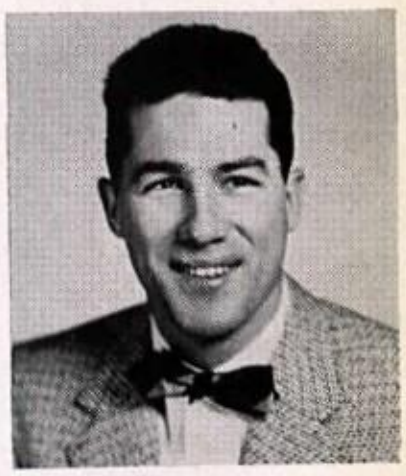

Board of Education

Sitting from left to right are Board members Clifford G. Wavrinek, Kenneth E. Dunn, Fred J. Britz, Board President Robert L. Ringwood, James M. Patterson, Verne Trummel, and Board Secretary William E. Mayhew.

These men, representing every part of our school district, are "honorary members" of our student body because of their long hours, sincere interest and vision and foresight.

Much of our school's beauty, success, recognition and its modern policies and regulations are due to these men. Under the able leadership of the Board of Education, volunteer services of hundreds of citizens are utilized, togther with the services of the permanent Citizens' Advisory Committee and the Parent Teacher-Student Association.

The outstanding educational program and activities are a tribute to the cooperation and sound thinking of our Board of Education. Several have children attending Rich High.

CAROL BRUZELIUS

Lagoon Editor

As we walk down our last path in high school to the music of "Pomp and Circumstance," each memory of high school spirit, laughter, and tears walks with us. Our feet retrace the steps of our first tingling freshmen days, full of wonder, sparkling with the effervescence of "coke." Then through the stages when we were just a "giggle of girls" and a "goof-around of boys," thrilling to an old jalopy or a new record. We have passed through doors into dark rooms and had the light turned on for us. Our teachers did more than this; they taught us, at last, to turn on the light for ourselves. This is the time of graduation. In a sense it is a beginning of a new path, and we now have the choice of illuminating many paths. It is a time of wonder, only this time the wonder has self-confidence.

"I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided, and that is the lamp of experience. I know of no way of judging of the future but by the past."

MISS MARY KONSTANS

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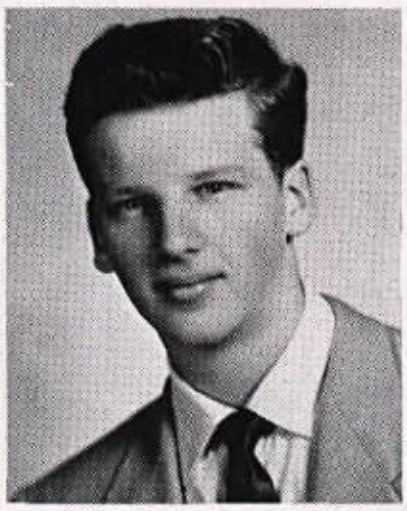

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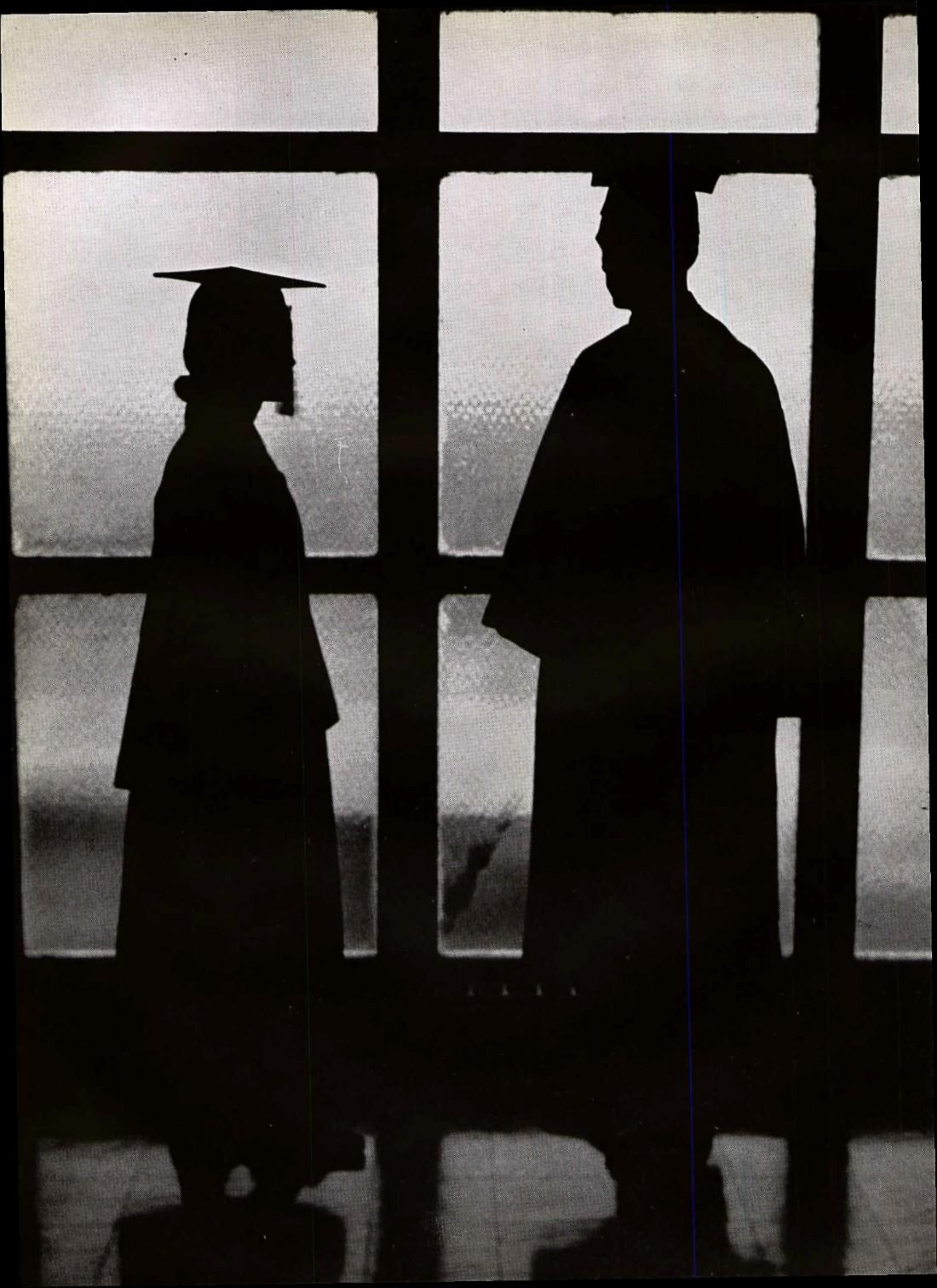


the Class of '55 . . .

SENIORS

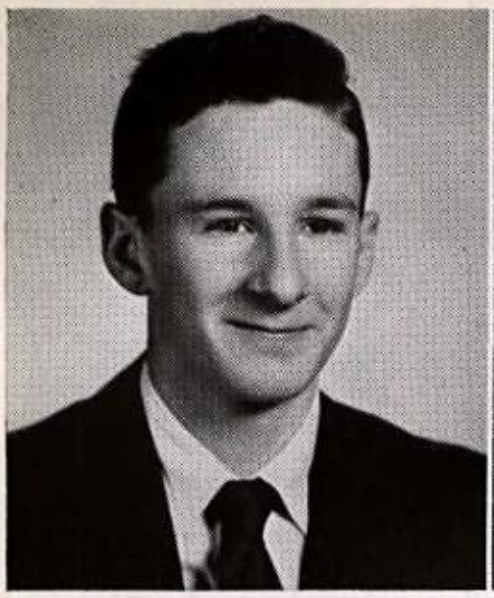
THE members of the class of 1955 came to Rich last year from many different schools in all parts of the country. During their two years in high school they worked together, helping to make Rich High what it is today.

At the beginning of this year, many of the seniors found themselves in positions of leadership at Rich. Beth Parkhurst, Ralph Meyers, and Sonie Schmeckpeper became president, vice president, and secretary of the Student Council. Other senior representatives to the Student Council were Jerry Jonas and Carol Bruzelius.

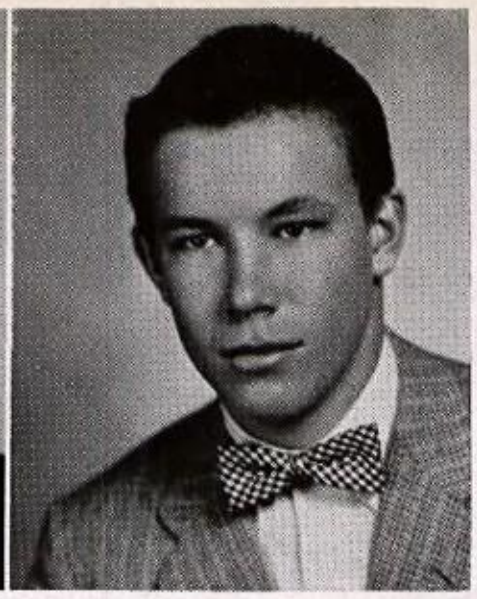
President Joe Ogden, vice president Gavin O'Brien, secretary Elaine Luering, and treasurer Ron Nelson guided the class of 1955 through its last year in high school. Class sponsors were Sidney Johnson, Thurlo Tollefson, and Miss Norma Thomas.

Social events sponsored by the senior class included the Harvest Moon dance held on October 8 and the hayride and party held on May 6. One of the high lights of the year was the presentation on April 29 and 30 of "Time Out for Ginger," the senior class play, in which Jim Miller, Jan Ketchin, and Carol Bruzelius played the leading roles.

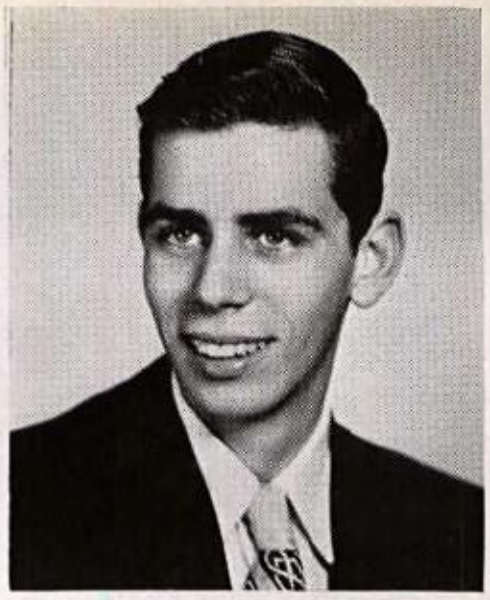
—Dave Perlmutter



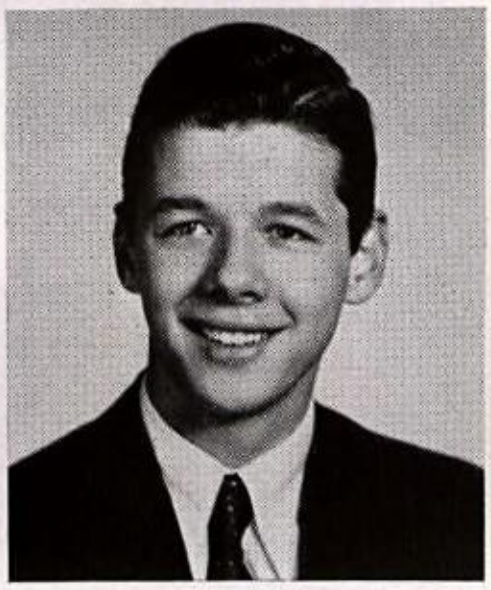
Victor Allcock
Dramatics Club, Choral Club, Football, Track, "R" Men's Club, Radio Club, French Club, Vice-President of Junior Class



Tom Athey
Dramatics Club, Golf, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club



John Banser

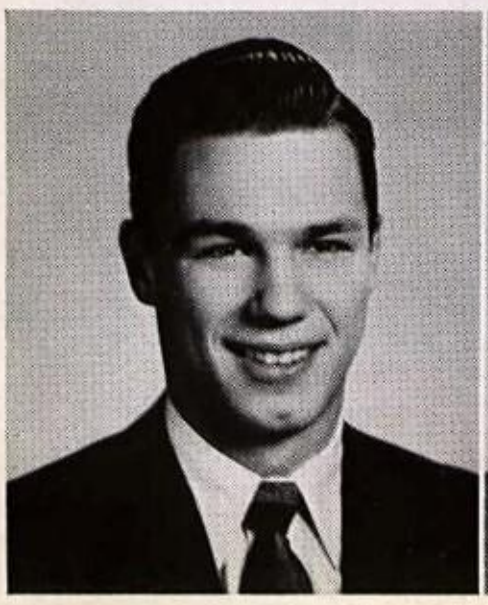


Bill Barris
Boys' Intramurals, Science Club, Math Club

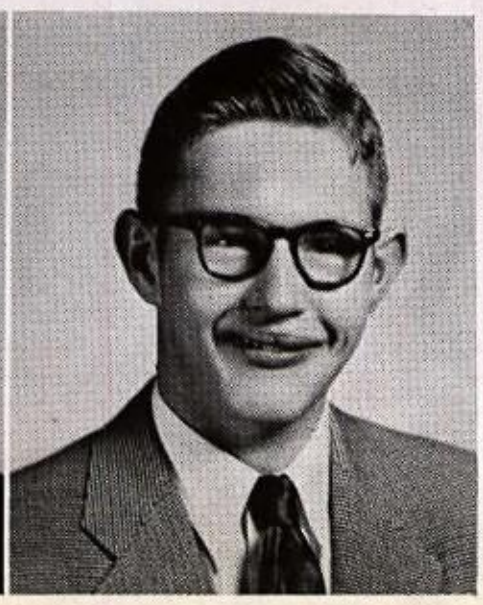
Now it's time to leave, and we're in

Paul Becker
Baseball, Bowling

Barrett Bingaman

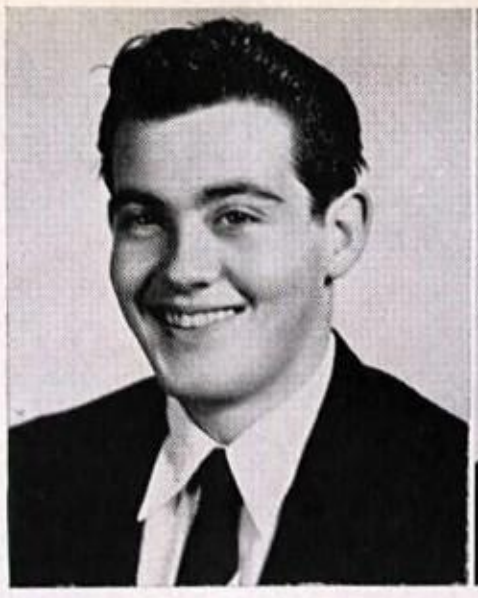


Eldon Blume



Wayne Blume

Ralph Blumenthal
Band, Science Club, Honor Roll, National Honor Society, Mathematics Medal of Merit



Harold Bosworth
Football, Golf, Boys' Intramurals, Bowling

Sandra Bowen
Girls' Intramurals, GAA, Pep Club, National Honor Society, Advertising Manager of the Lagoon

William Bray
Rich High News Staff, Choir Choral Club, Swimming, Science Club, Biology Club

the midst of graduation.

Karen Broberg
Student Council, Office Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Cheerleader Captain, GAA, Science Club, Biology Club, Pep Club, Modern Dance Club

James Brownlee
Sports Editor of Rich High News, Football, Baseball, Wrestling, "R" Men's Club, "Rich High on the Air" Staff

Martin Bruder

Kristin Broberg
Lagoon Staff, Office Aide, Girls' Intramurals, GAA, Science Club, Pep Club

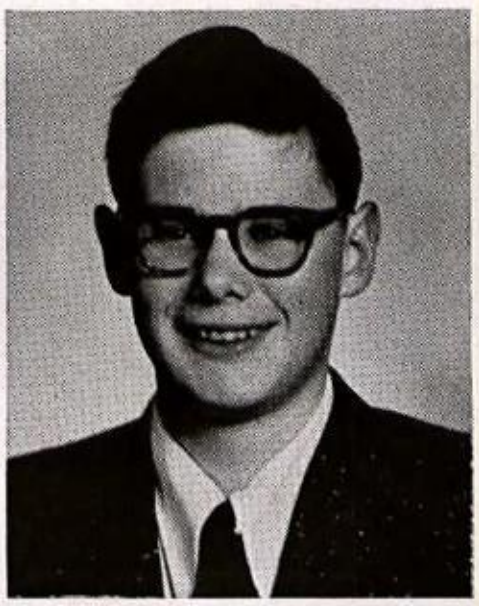
Carol Bruzelius
Student Council, Rich High News staff, Editor of the Lagoon, Dramatics Club, Choir, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, GAA, Science Club, Pep Club, Prom Queen, Homecoming Queen Court

Don Buhle
Dramatics Club, Football, Wrestling, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club

Dennis Campion
Dramatics Club, Boys' Intramurals

James Cole
Art Editor of Rich High News, Lagoon staff, Basketball, Golf, "R" Men's Club, Key Club, Art Medal of Merit

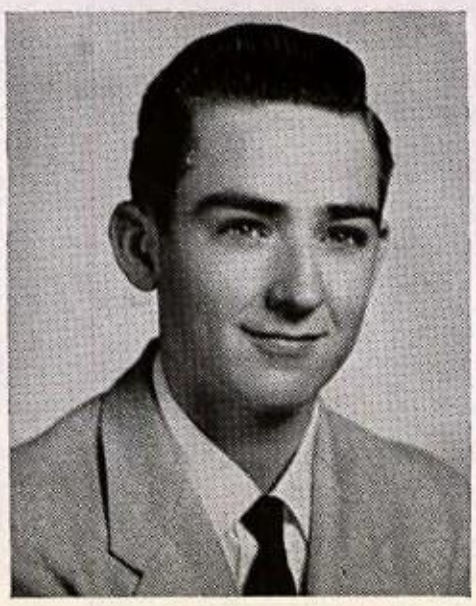
Behind us is the close game,



Paul Conlee
Boys' Intramurals, Swimming

Patricia Covert
Office Aide

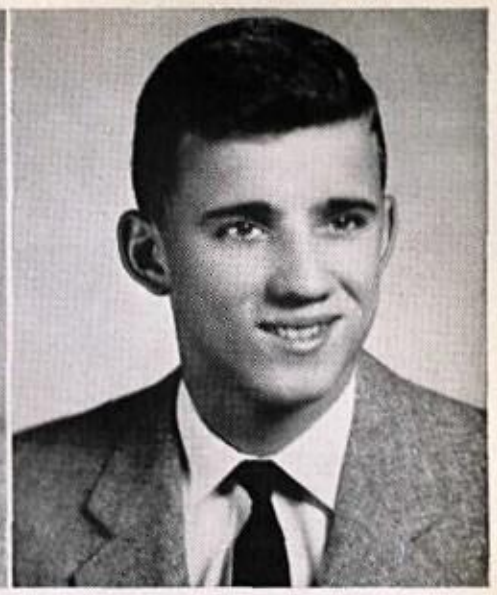
Richard Dahlman
Bowling



Jane Denison

Dorothy Dettmering
Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Math Club, Homemaking Medal of Merit

Donald Eastman



Robert Ecker
Choral Club, Basketball, Baseball, Boys' Intramurals, Bowling, "R" Men's Club, Boy's State

Nancy Lee Eiben
Rich High News staff, Dramatics Club, Office Aide, Band, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Tumbling, Arts and Crafts, Treasurer and President of GAA, Prom Court

the memorable dance,

Herbert Eiscamp

Leroy Fehr
Football, Basketball, Track, "R" Men's Club, Industrial Arts Medal of Merit

Robert Frazer
Football, "R" Men's Club

Elaine Elbers
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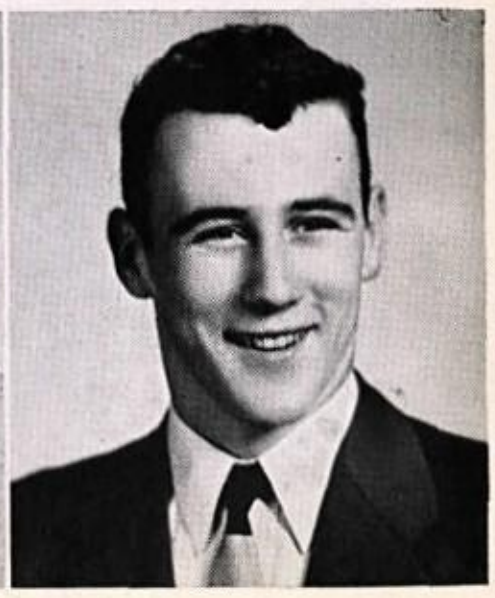


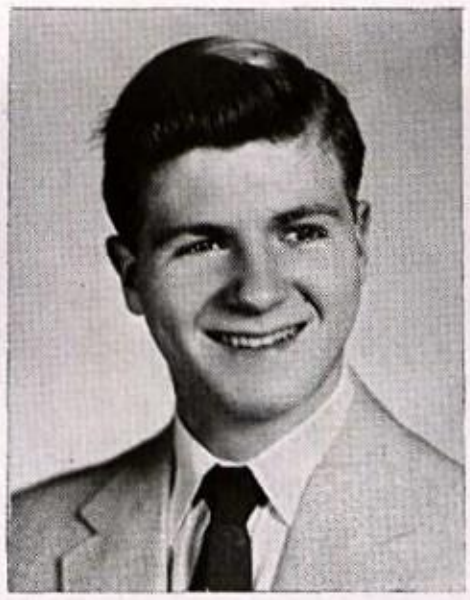
John Galeener
Band, Track, Boys' Intramurals

Pat Garretson
Choir, Choral Club, Feature and News Editor of the Rich High News, Dramatics Club, National Honor Society, Secretary of FTA, Vice-president of French Club, Secretary of Dramatics Club, Chorus, Girls' Glee Club, Teachers' Association Certificate of Commendation

Adolph Goldsmith, Jr.

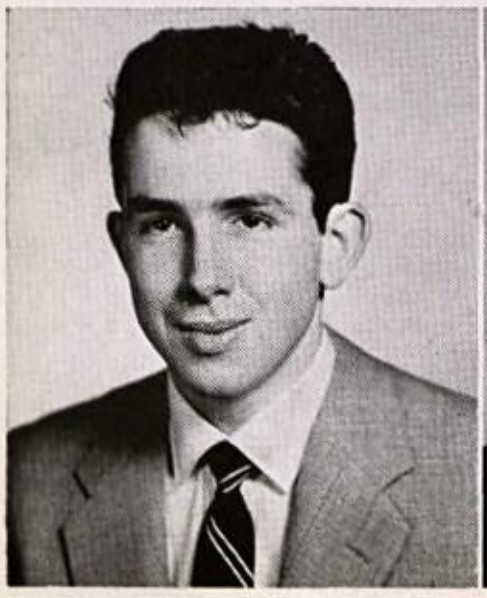
Carol Goldsmith
Rich High News staff, Lagoon staff, Dramatics Club, Office Aide, Choir, Girls' Glee Club, Freshman Chorus, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA, Music Club, Pep Club

the friendly salutation.

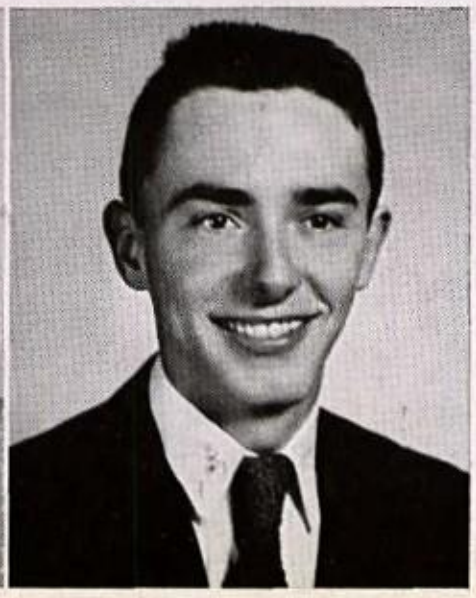


Ted Granhold
Student Council, Dramatics Club, Band, Football, Wrestling, "R" Men's Club

George Grant
Boys' Intramurals, Science Club, Spanish Club, Math Club



John Gundermann
Basketball, Boys' Intramurals



Gloria Hanson
Rich High News staff, Dramatics Club, Choir, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Cheerleader, President of Science Club

Tom Harrington
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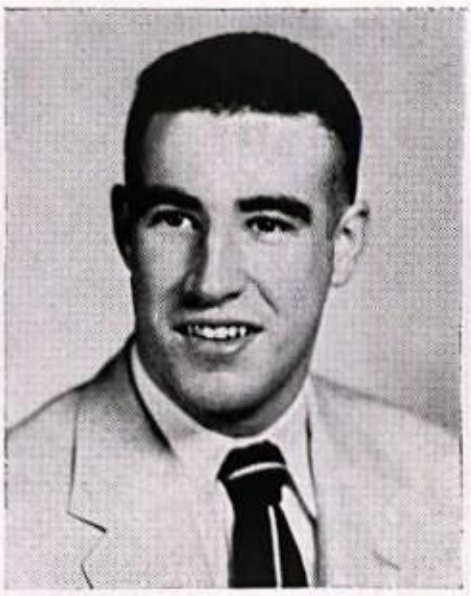
William Hartman
Boys' Intramurals, Bowling, Science Club, Math Club

Jeannette Hull
Rich High News, Dramatics Club, Library Aide, Uniform Secretary of Band, Choir, Secretary of Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, Swimming, GAA, FHA

Ruth Johnson
Dramatics, Library Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, FHA

Now we have gained a place in the sun,



Jerry Jonas
Student Council, Rich High News, Vice-President of Freshman Class, Choral Club, Football Basketball, Baseball, Golf, "R" Men's Club, Key Club

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Ruthann Koelling
Library Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Biology Club, German Club

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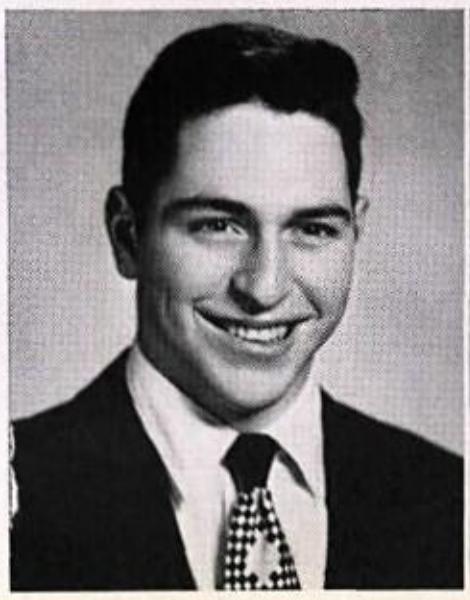

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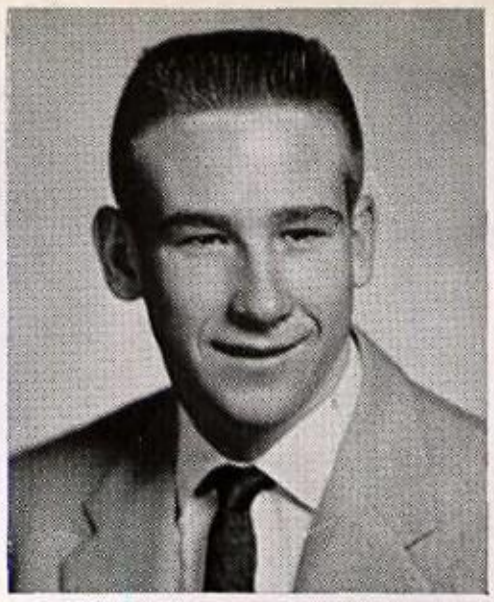
Francis Lessard



Ray Logan
Co-Captain of Football team, President of "R" Men's Club, Baseball, Boys' Intramurals, Key Club

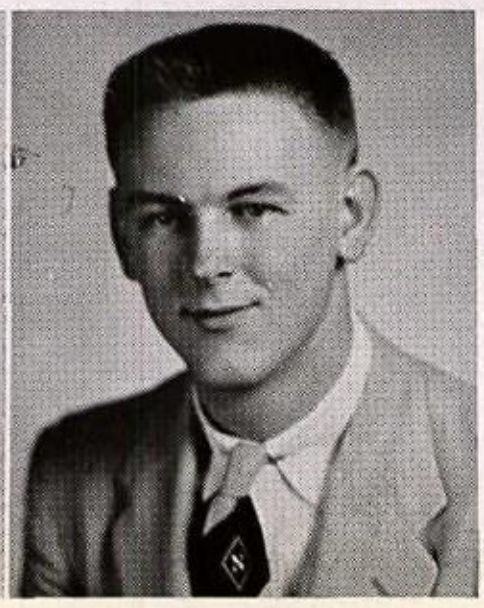
Elaine Luering
Rich High News, Lagoon staff, Dramatics Club, Office Aide, Secretary of Senior Class, Choir, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, GAA

our work achieves completion.

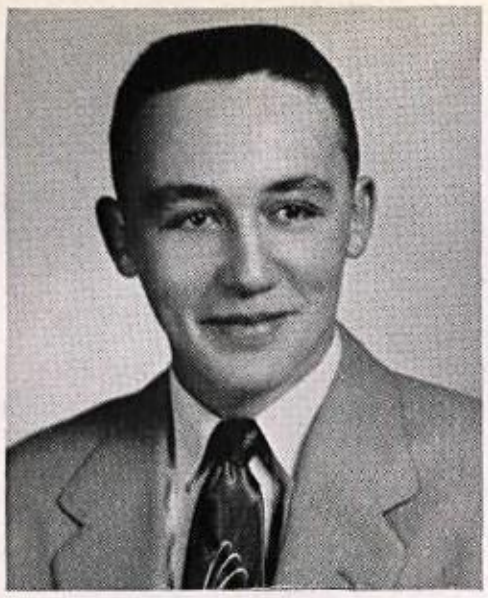
Ruth Lustfeldt
Copyreading Editor and Co-Editor of Rich High News, Lagoon staff, Office Aide, Secretary-Treasurer-Librarian of Band, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, Captain of Bowling, GAA, Spanish Club, Arts and Crafts Club, D.A.R. Award

Nancy Machin
Secretary of National Honor Society, Rich High News, Lagoon staff, Office Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA

Arthur Mann
Football, Bowling



Larry McIntire
Football, Basketball, Golf, "R" Men's Club



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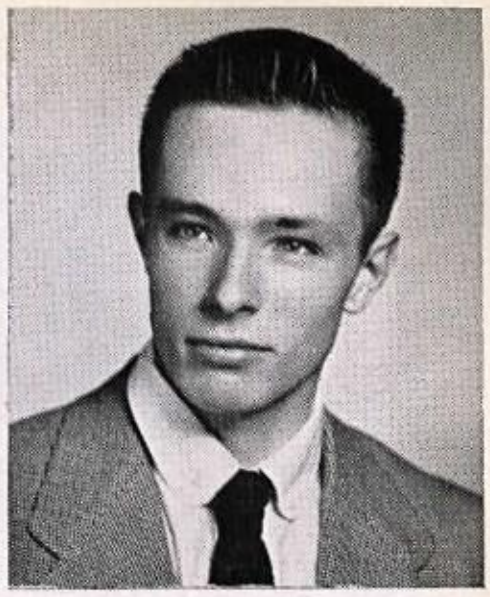
Linda Melvin
Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals



Christopher Mendenhall
Rich High News, Wrestling, Boys' Intramurals, Science Club, Biology Club

Donald Merchant
Dramatics Club, Choir, Wrestling, Key Club

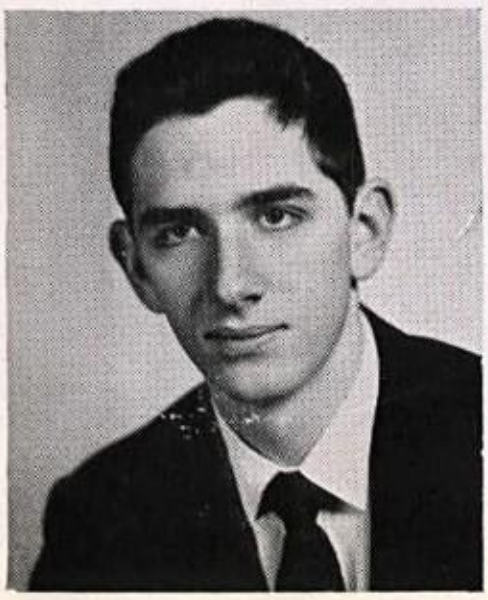
But it's gone too fast... we don our

John
Best of luck to a
fellow track man.
It's been fun knowing
you this year.
Jim Miller

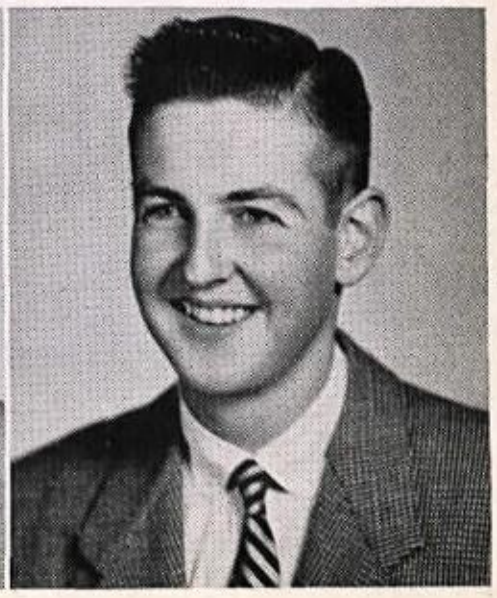
Bonnie Meyer
Rich High News, Section Leader of Choir, Librarian of Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, GAA, Ensemble — District and State winner, Girls' Ensemble — District winner

John Millard
Rich High News, Lagoon staff, Dramatics Club, Band, Choral Club, Track, Bowling, Cheerleaders, Science Club, Drum Major, Baton Twirling — District winner

James Miller
Student Council, Treasurer of Sophomore Class, Track, Boys' Intramurals



Ralph Meyers
National Honor Society, Vice-President of Student Council, Football, Basketball, Baseball, Track, Boys' Intramurals, Science Club, "R" Men's Club, Key Club, Teachers Association Certificate of Commendation, All Round Outstanding Senior Award



Georgia Lee Moylan
Library Aide, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling

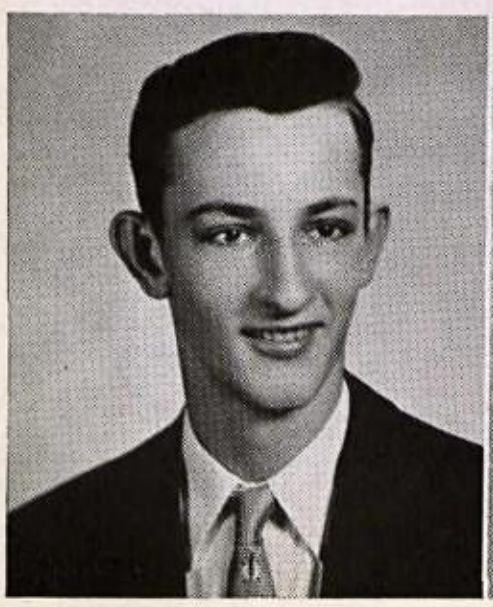
Edna Mullin
Girls' Intramurals

Ronald Nelson
Dramatics Club, Secretary of Junior Class, Treasurer of Senior Class, Football, Wrestling, Golf, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club, All-Suburban Football Squad, All-Conference Football Team

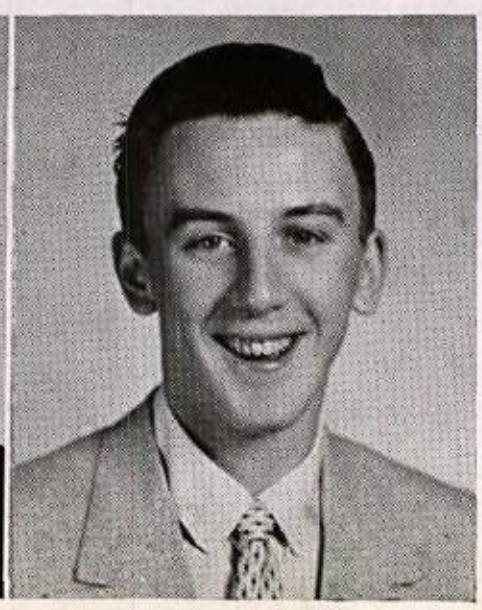
robes with strange pulsation.

Beth Nicholl

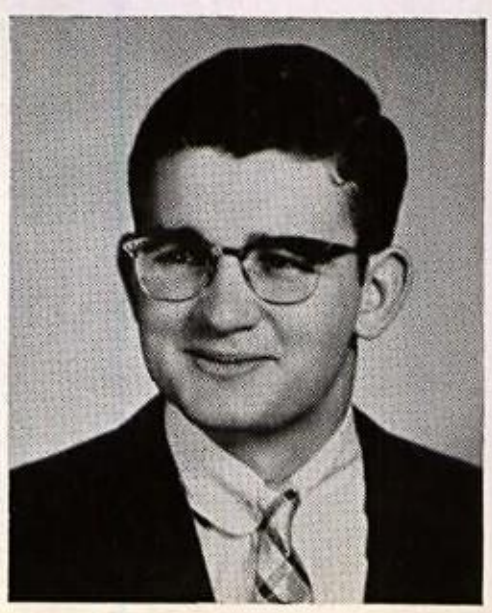
Robert Nickla
Rich High News, Bowling



Robert Nitka
Band, Basketball, Baseball, "R" Men's Club



Gavin O'Brien
Dramatics Club, President of Junior Class, Vice-President of Senior Class, Football, Track, Wrestling, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club, Key Club, All-Conference Football Team, All-Chicago Area Football Squad



Joseph Ogden
National Honor Society, Sports Editor of Lagoon Staff, Treasurer of Junior Class, President of Senior Class, Band, Basketball, Baseball, Boys' Intramurals, Bowling, Science Club, "R" Men's Club, Homecoming King, First Place — Teen Age Roadeo Driving Championship, Americanism - Citizenship Award, Citizenship Medal of Merit

John Ottenberg
Dramatics Club, Football, Track, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club, All-Conference Football Squad, Conference Champion Track

Beth Parkhurst
National Honor Society, President of Student Council (Senior Year), Secretary of Student Council (Junior Year), Lagoon Staff, Rich High News, Dramatics Club, Choir, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA, Science Club, Pep Club, Math Club, Prom Court, Homecoming Court, Student Government Medal of Merit

Dave Perlmutter
National Honor Society, Rich High News, Dramatics Club, Science Club, Key Club, President of French Club, Chess Club, President of Math Club, Latin Club, "Rich High is on the Air" staff, Foreign Language Medal of Merit

At the turning point, we stop to ask

Bruce Peryam
National Honor Society, Band, Football, Wrestling, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club, Spanish Club, Math Club

Sonia Schmeckpeper
Secretary-Treasurer of Student Council, Rich High News, Girls' Sports Editor of Lagoon, Dramatics Club, Choir, Choral Club, Captain of Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA, Science Club, Pep Club, Math Club, Homecoming Queen, Prom Court, Girls' State, Girls' Ensemble

William Schaper

Alec Rovel
Football, Boys' Intramurals, Bowling, "R" Men's Club

Marlene Schopp
Managing and Co-Editor of Rich High News, Lagoon Staff, Choral Club, Captain of Girls' Intramurals, Captain of Bowling, Swimming, GAA, Pep Club, Radio Club, Dramatics Club, Publications Medal of Merit

Gerald Schorr
Choir, Boys' Intramurals, Science Club, Key Club, Spanish Club

Betty Sherwood
FHA, Rich High News Staff, Junior Play, GAA, Library Aide

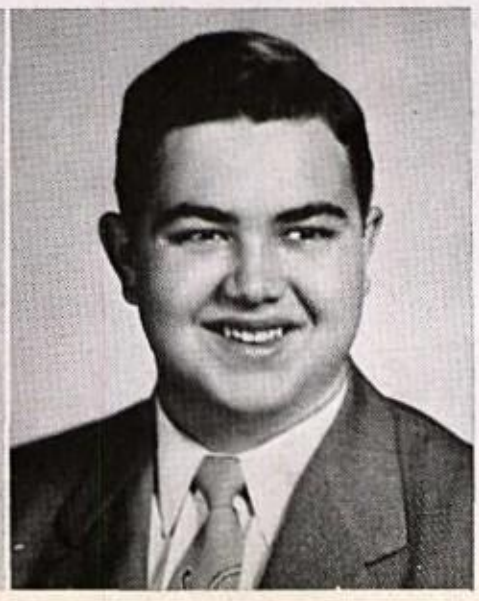
Terry Sloan
National Honor Society, Girls' Sports Editor of Rich High News, Senior Assistant Editor of Lagoon, Dramatics Club, Debate Club, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Swimming, Board Member of GAA, Secretary of Science Club, Americanism - Citizenship Award, Activities/Intramurals Medal of Merit

ourselves . . . where to from here?

Martin Solberg
Football, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club

Jean Spangler
Debate Club, Office Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Swimming, GAA, Pep Club, Gym Aide

Elvert Stege
Bowling



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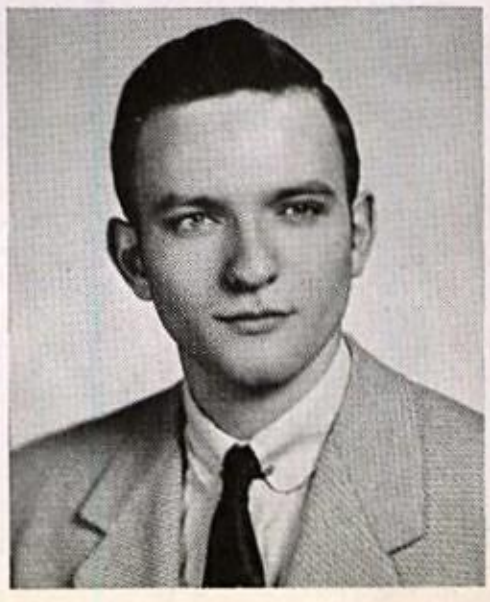
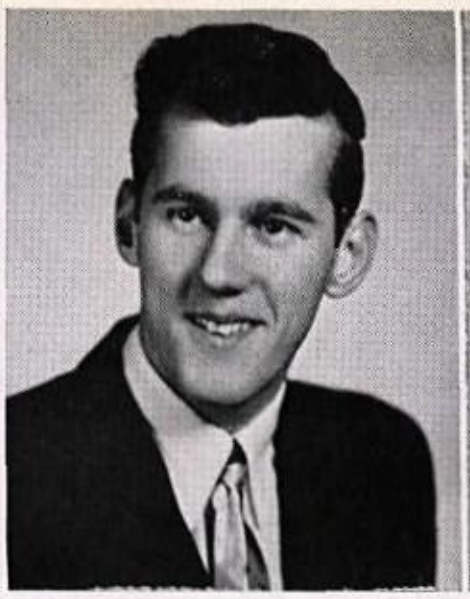


Joanne Stewart
Student Council, Rich High News, Lagoon Staff, Dramatics Club, Treasurer (Freshman year), Vice-President and President — Band, President — Choir, Choral Club, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA, Pep Club, President — Arts and Crafts Club, Arion Award, Solo voice, Tuba, Ensemble, winner at State Music Contest

Arlene Stuenkel
Office Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Math Club, P. E. Aide

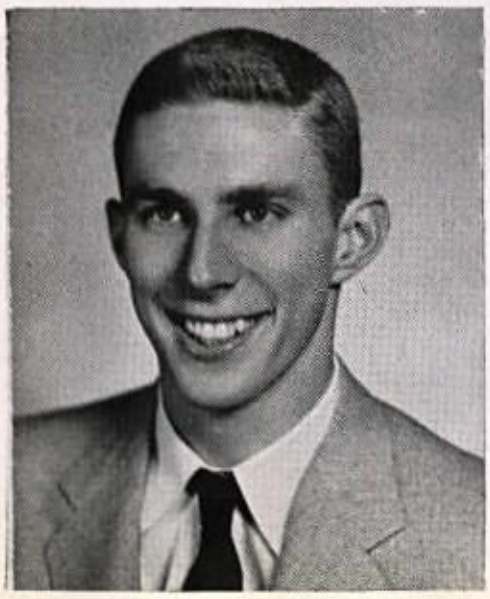


Lawrence Stocking
Boys' Intramurals

Connie Strack
Debate Club, Vice-President of Junior Class, Secretary of Sophomore Class, Girls' Intramurals, GAA, Pep Club

And we look up to shape our lives

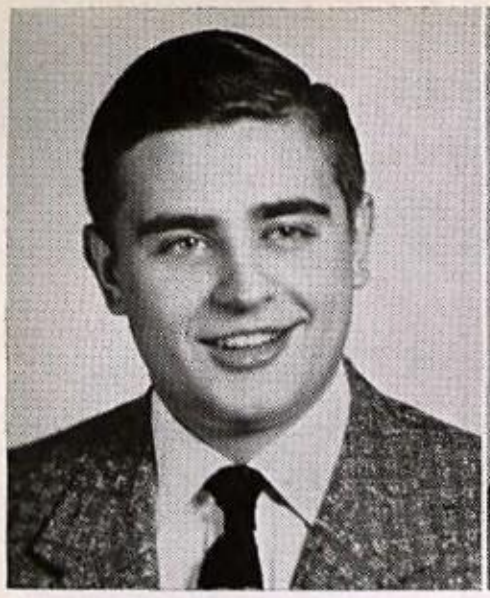
David Summers
Rich High News, Band, Choir, Choral Club, Bowling, Vice-President of Music Club, Key Club, Vice-President of FTA, Chess Club, "Rich High is on the Air" staff, Arion Award, Music Medal of Merit



Roger Taylor
National Honor Society, Football, Basketball, Baseball, Track, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club, All-Conference basketball team, All-State Basketball team, Captain of Basketball team, Leading scorer in Southwest Suburban Conference, Physical Education Medal of Merit, Reader's Digest Award

Phyllis Treby
Rich High News, Lagoon Staff, Dramatics Club, Office Aide, Captain of Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, Swimming, GAA, Pep Club

Velma Trenary
Rich High News, Lagoon Staff, Girls' Intramurals, Swimming, GAA, Pep Club



Art Warneke
Football, Track, Wrestling, "R" Men's Club

Yvonne Wein

Du Wayne Watkins
Lagoon Staff, Secretary of Junior Class, Band, Bowling, Spanish Club, Chess Club

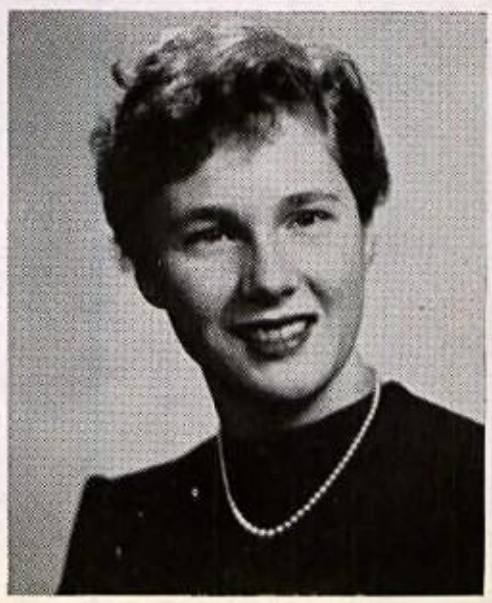
Barbara Wolff
Secretary of Student Council, Rich High News, Lagoon Staff, Dramatics Club, Library Aide, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA

with confidence and hope, not fear.

Howard Woodman
Dramatics Club, Wrestling, Boys' Intramurals, "R" Men's Club, Wrestling Sectional Winner

Charlotte Woodruff
National Honor Society, Rich High News, Choir, Captain of Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA, Secretary and President of FTA, Treasurer of French Club, "Rich High on the Air" Staff.

Ginny Zuchs
Business Manager of Lagoon, Dramatics Club, Library Aide, Librarian and Secretary of Band, Choir, Girls' Intramurals, Bowling, GAA, Secretary of Pep Club, Arts and Crafts Club, Homecoming Court



the Class of '56 . . .

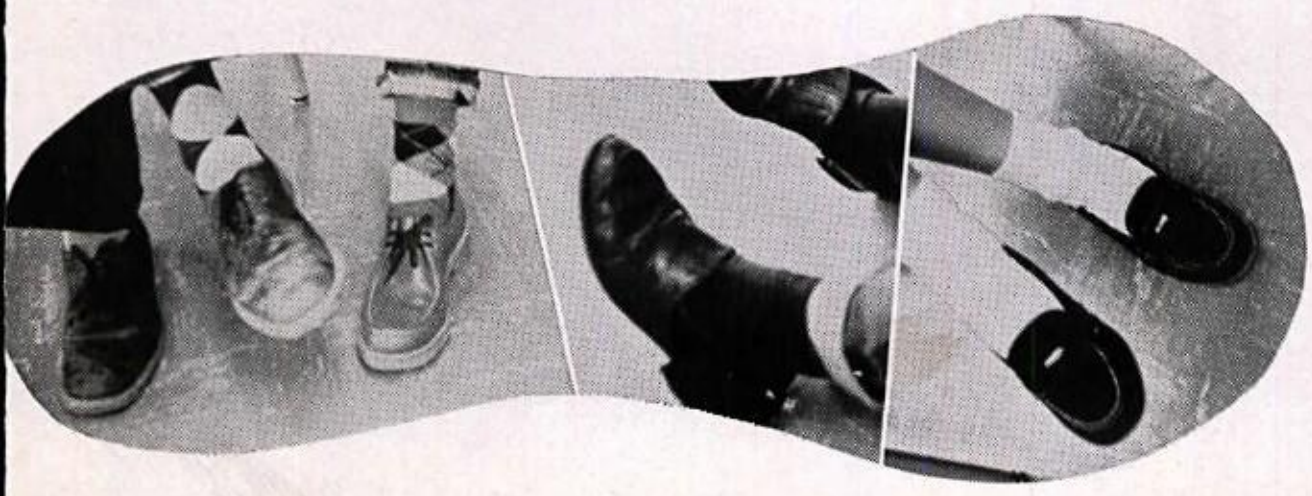
THE past year was a busy year for the Junior Class. Early in the year we elected officers and new student council representatives. Steve Phillips, president; Ron Tschudy, vice-president; June Swift, secretary; Joy Mayhew, treasurer; Larry Fuller, Margene Swanson, Dick Mason, Ken Werk, and Claude Wells became the guiding committee, whose duty was to organize all class sponsored activities throughout the year. The committee received fine cooperation and help from the sponsors, for which they were very grateful.

The class enjoyed sponsoring and taking part in many entertaining activities. Some of the more important ones were: the Junior Class play, presented in November, the Christmas Ball in December, and the Junior Senior Prom, held early in June. The Prom, of course, was the most important and best remembered social event of the year. It required many months of planning and work on the part of every class member to make it the success that it was.

Naturally, the Junior Class was not interested solely in social affairs. Academically it found time to rank among the best classes in the nation as proved by the Iowa Tests. Also, nine class members were elected to the National Honor Society, an exceptional honor for a Junior. Many other Juniors were consistently on the school honor roll.

Truly, our Junior class was well represented in all phases of school life. In sports, school clubs, student government, and in all other activities, we can proudly look back to a fine, well founded record of achievement, and a good background for the new Senior Class of Rich Township High School.

— Steve Phillips



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Rae Bortolotti

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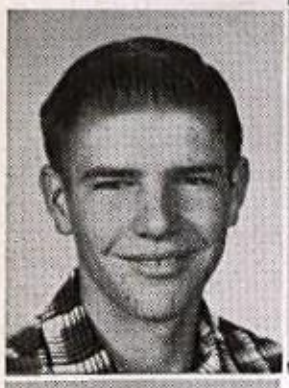

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Joe Brooks

Nancy Byrne

Shirley Bowen

Barbara Cederquist

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Susan Cowan

Marylin Daly

Sue Carol Davis

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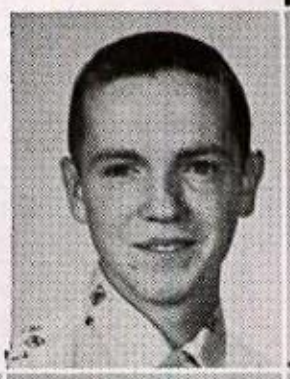

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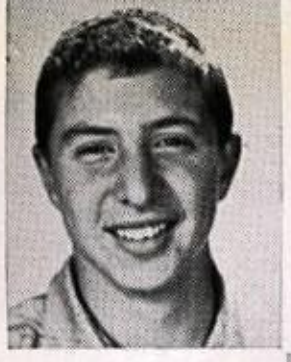

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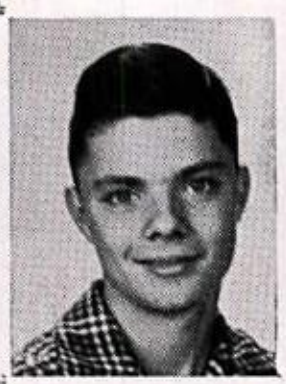

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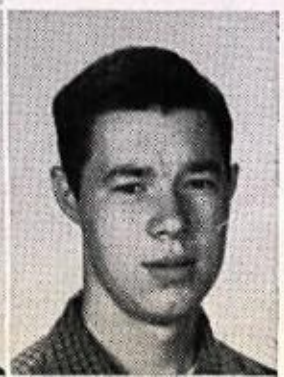

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James Key

Karl Krauter

Elizabeth Lawrence
Dale Lemere
Tom Lockwood

Liz Logrbrinck

Rose Louise
Andrew Lundquist

Cordelia Lundquist

Donald MacLagan

Robert MacLagan

Richard Mason

Virginia Mathews

Jack Matthies

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Bess Mayhew

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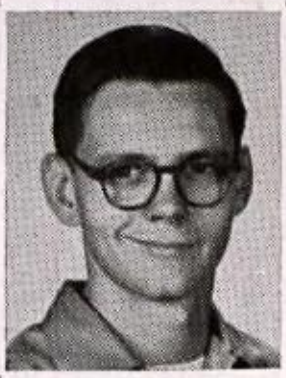

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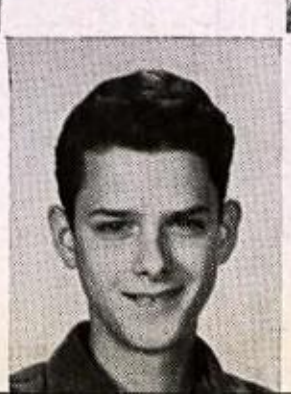

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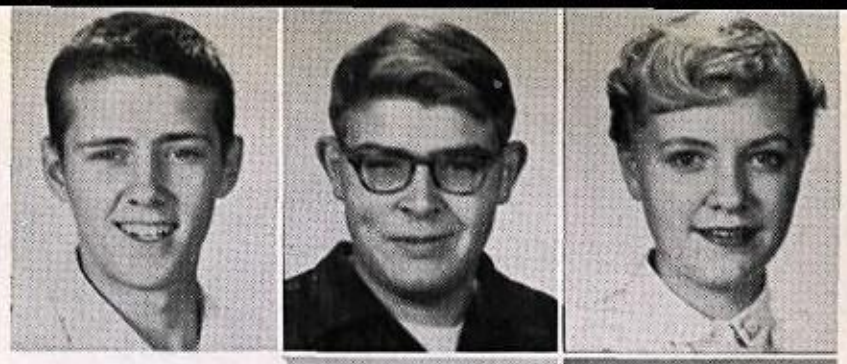

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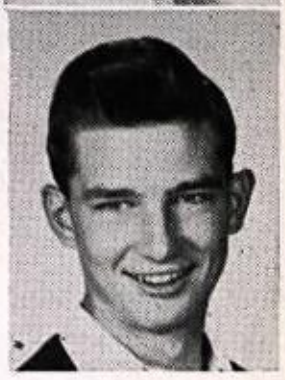

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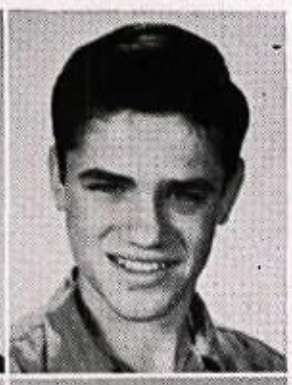

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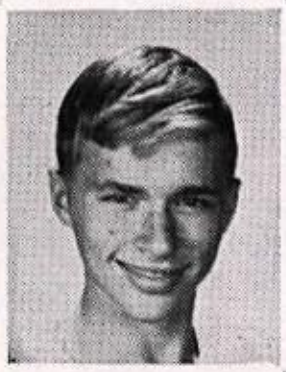

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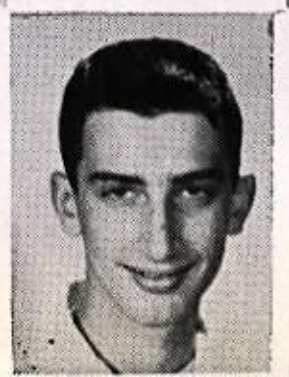

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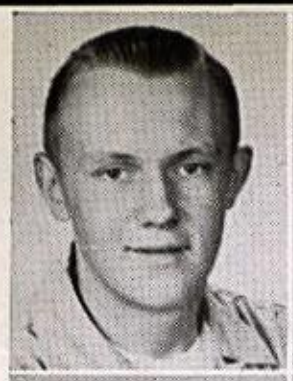

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Andrea Smith

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Lucy Lee Stanfield
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Margene Swanson

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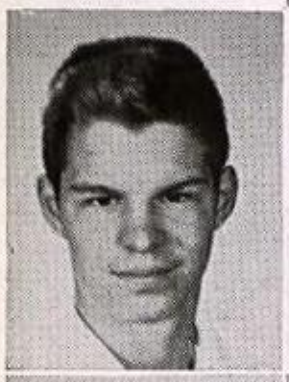

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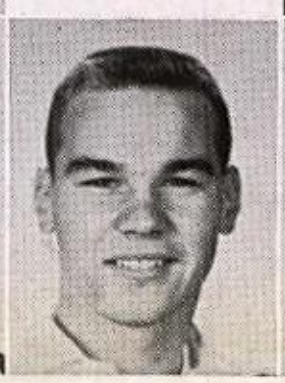
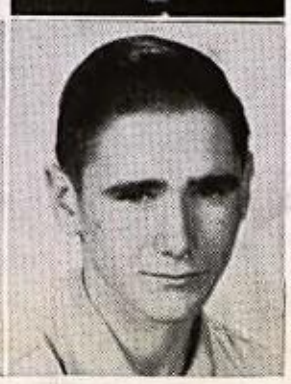




Claude Wells
Kenneth T. Werk
John White

Richard
Whittington
Ruth Ann Wigley
Donna Wilson

the Class of '57 . . .

THE Sophomore class is composed of one hundred forty six students. Judy Adams, Alice Huedepohl, and Tony Petullo are the representatives of the Student Council. The class officers are Janet Stewart, president; Kay Lockridge, vice-president; Nancy Fike, secretary; and Mike Phillips, treasurer.

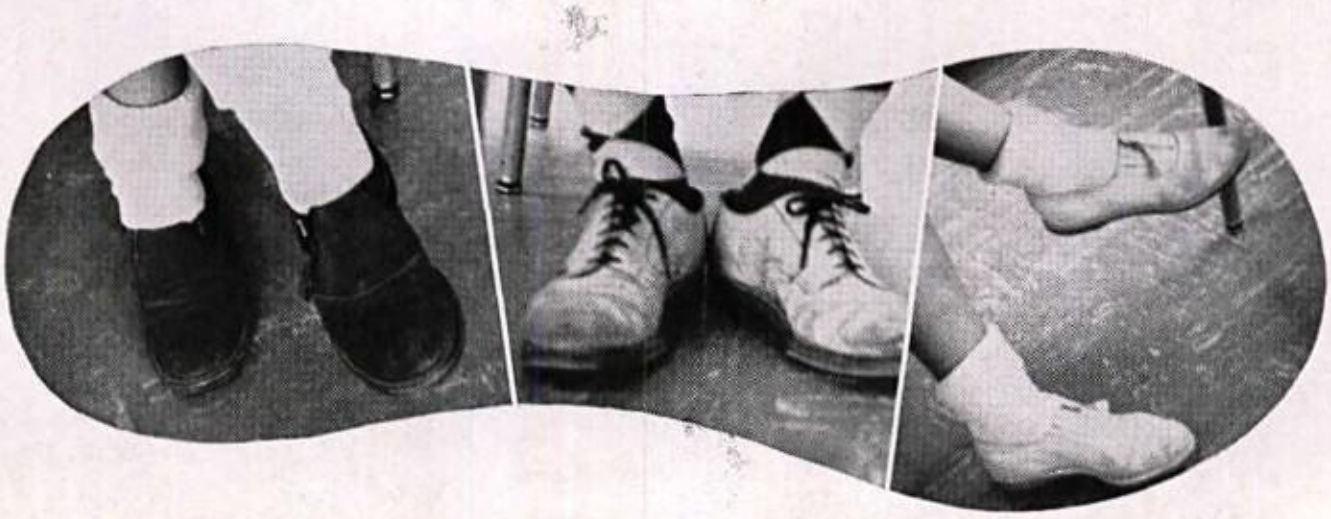
With the guidance of Mr. Hutchinson, it seemed everyone planned his program wisely.

It's not all work and no fun with us. The two class dances we held are proof of that.

In the field of sports, we did exceptionally well. The frosh-soph football and basketball teams each hold the conference championship. The sophomores also excel in baseball and track. We expect them to be a great asset to the varsity squad next year.

In completing the first half of our high school education, we, the members of the class of '57, are proud to attend one of the finest schools in the country. We look forward to our remaining two years at Rich High.

— Karen Glockler



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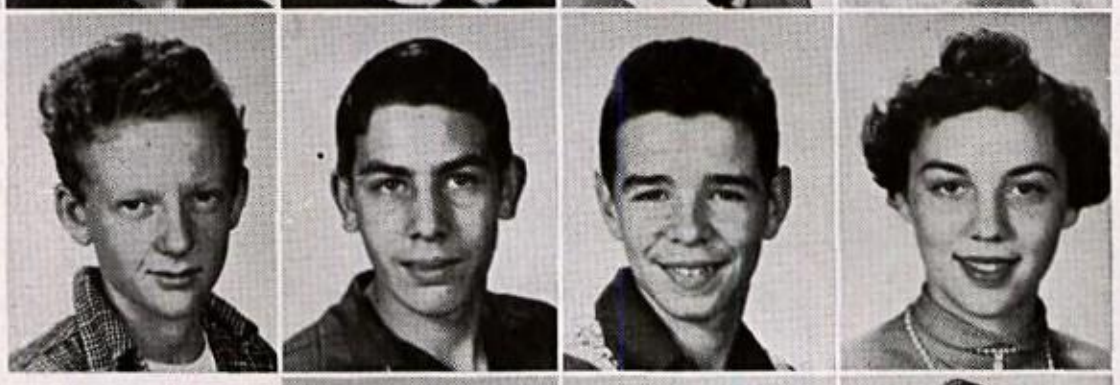

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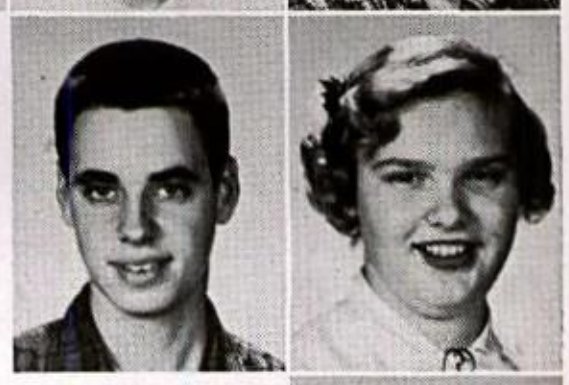

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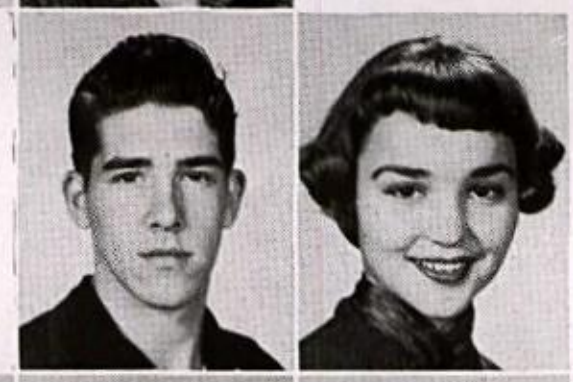

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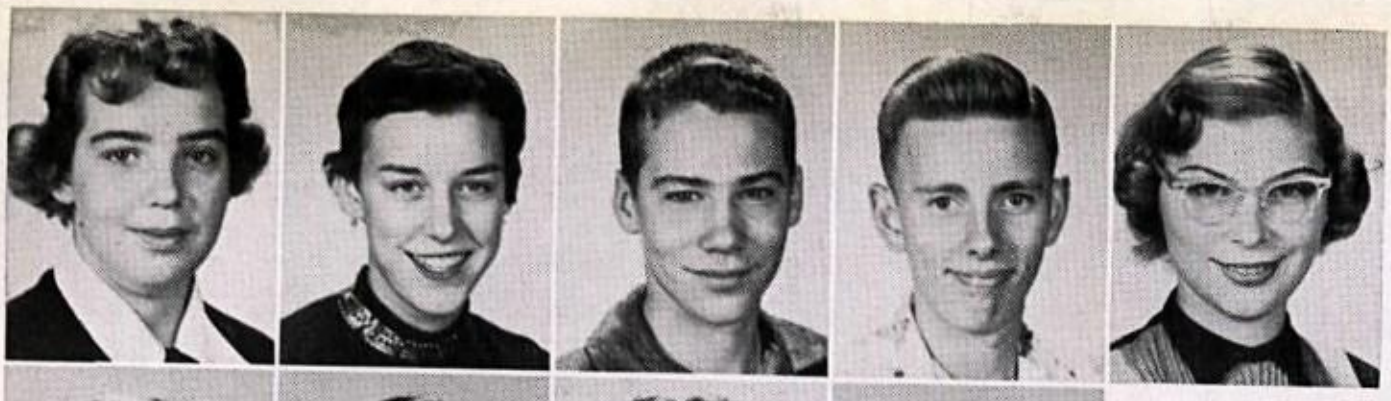

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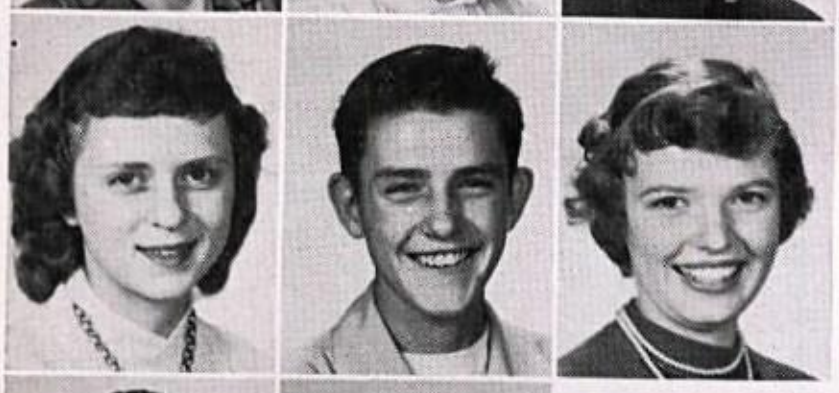

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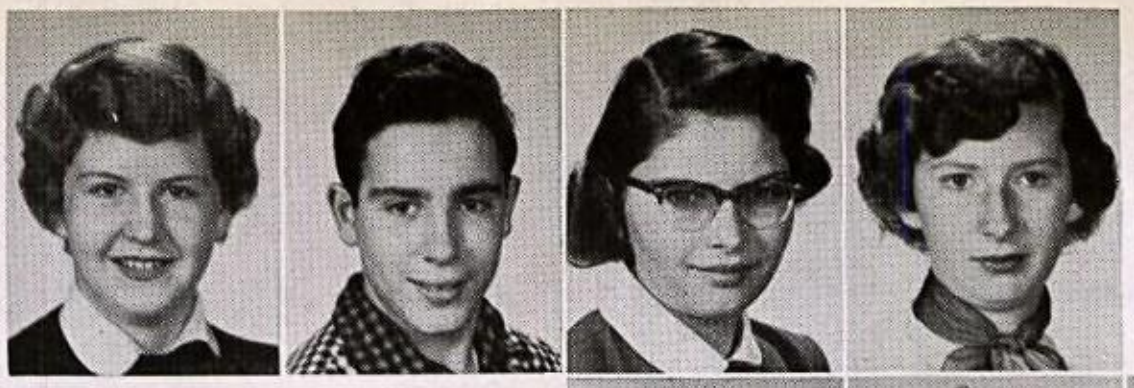

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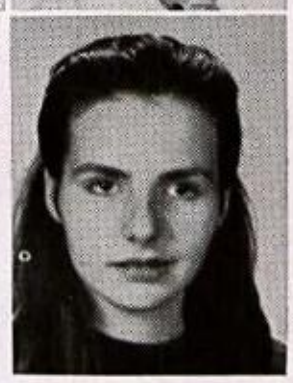

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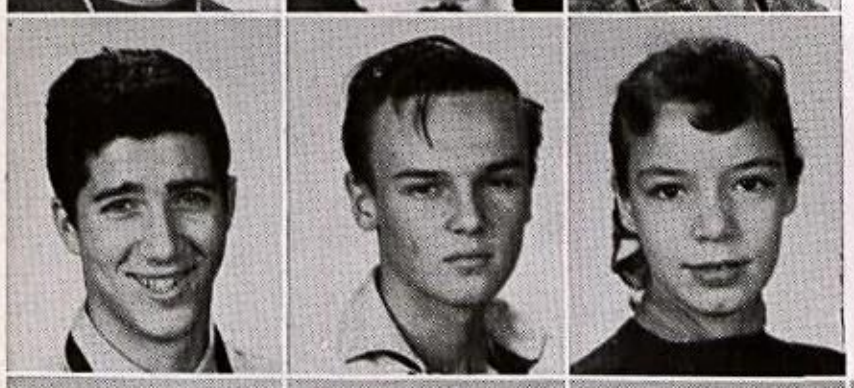

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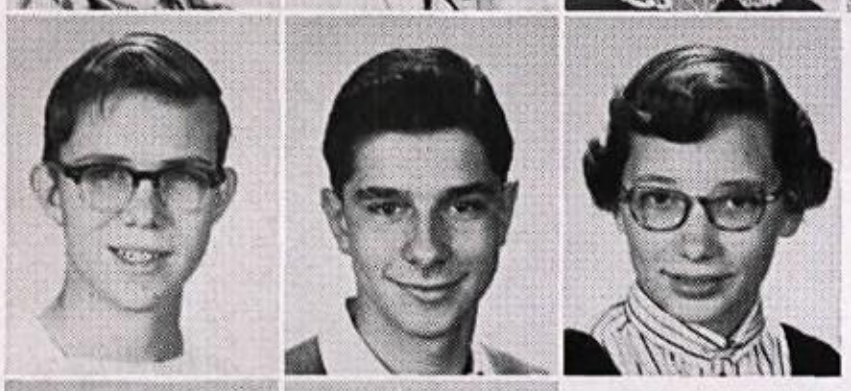

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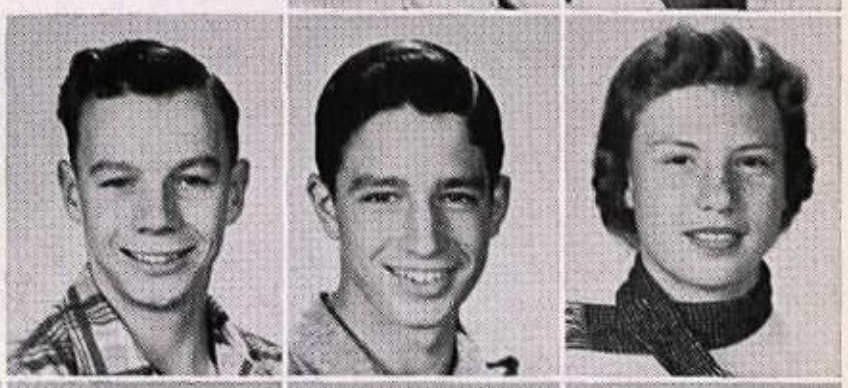

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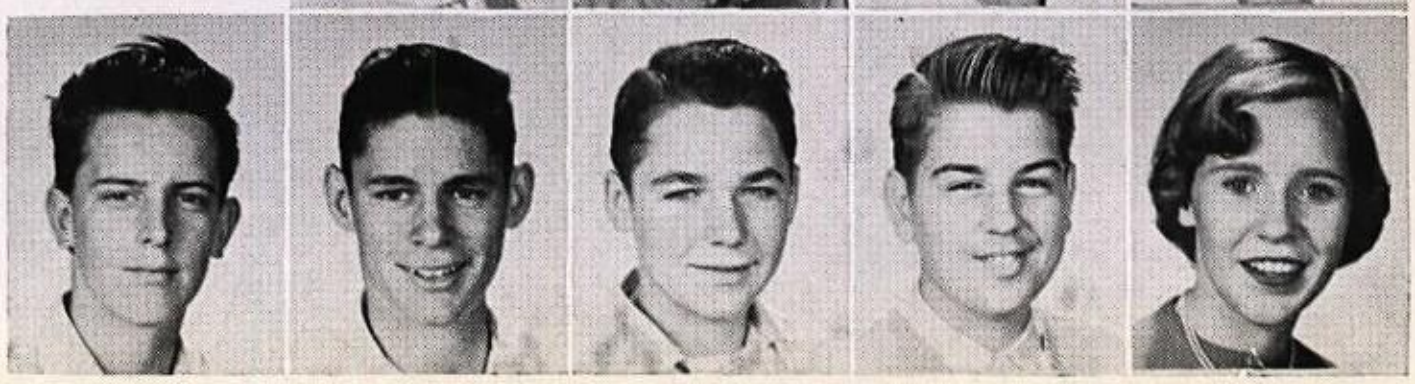

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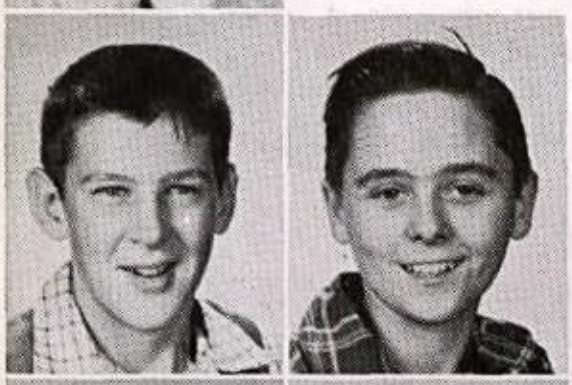

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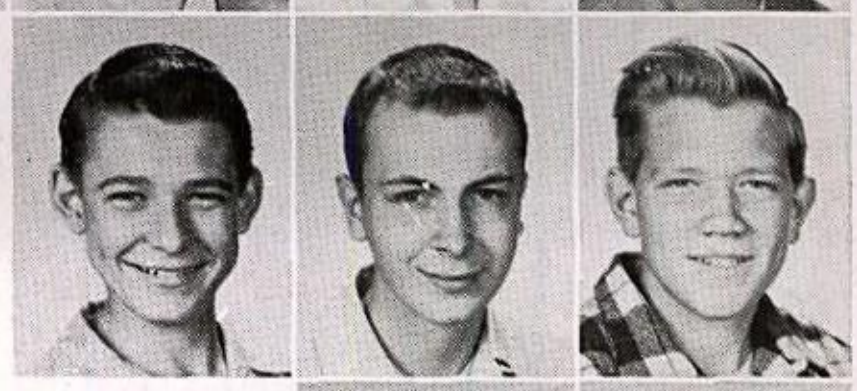

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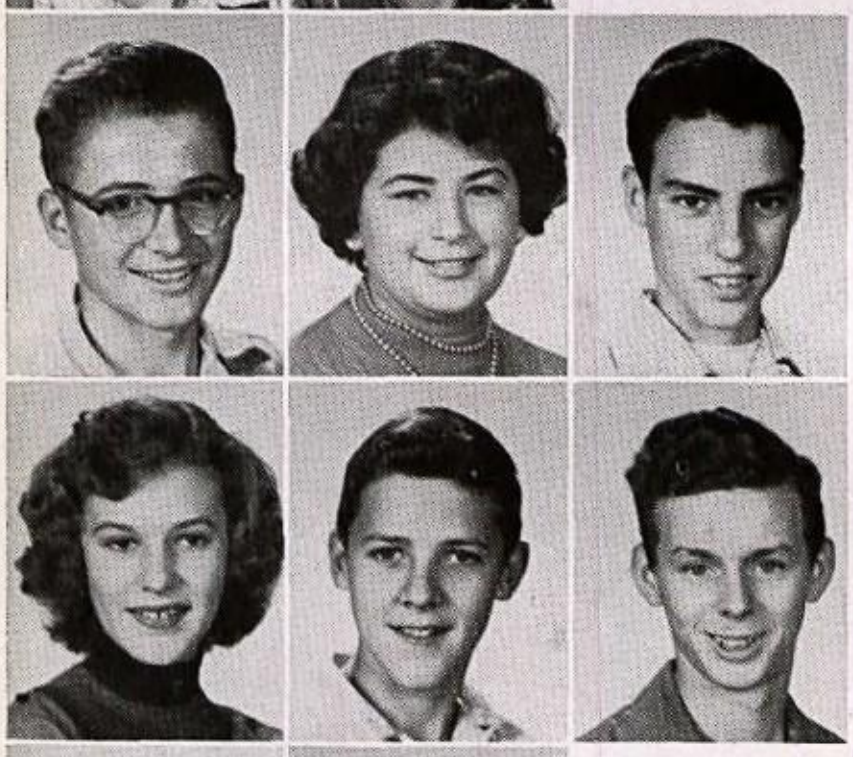

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the Class of '58 . . .

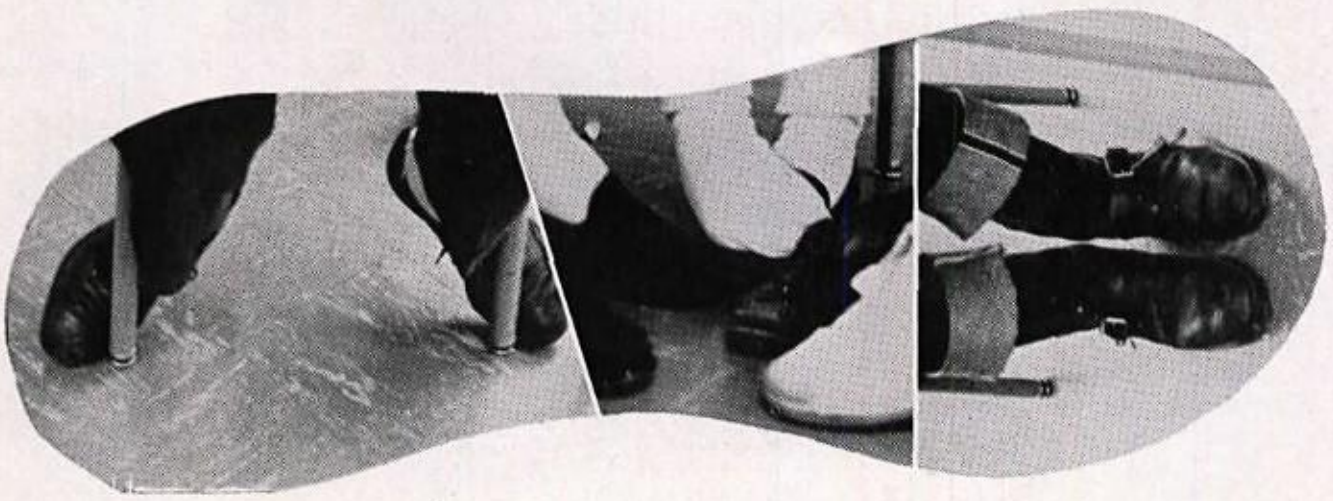
FRESHMEN

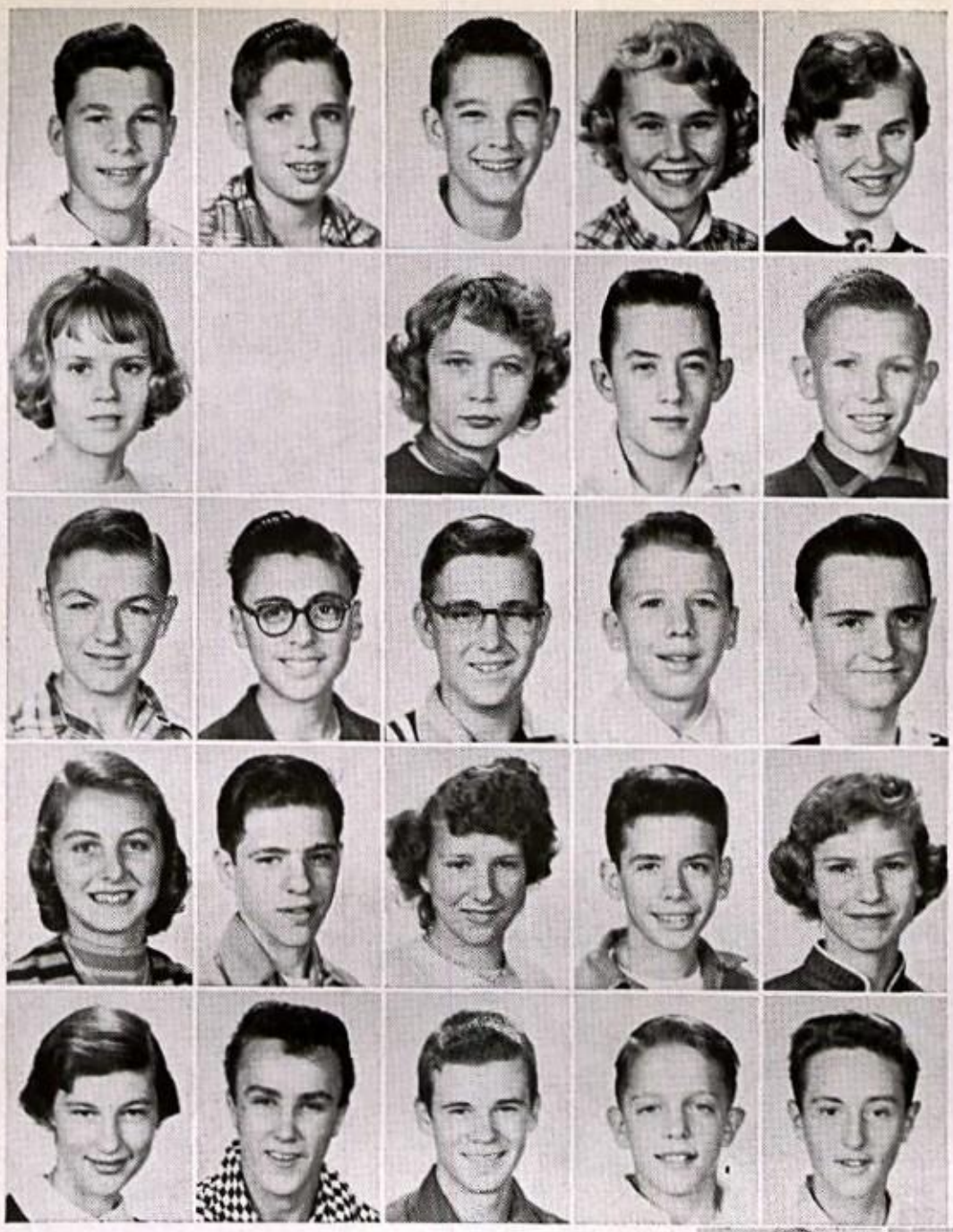
THE members of the class of 1958 entered Rich last September and began their high school careers. They soon elected their first class officers, who were Andy Lawrence, president; Jerry Ransford, vice president; Bunny Ogden, secretary; and George Meredith, treasurer. Bonnie First, Sonny Berghage, and Ken Bowen were chosen as the class's representatives to the Student Council. Pat Moore and Bunny Ogden became the first freshmen cheerleaders, while Bonnie First and Sonny Berghage were the class's contribution to the frosh-soph cheering squad.

With the guidance of Mrs. Lillian Davies, Mrs. Elinore Darland, Glynn Harvey, and Mayo Johnson, and Miss Mary Konstans, the class sponsors and advisors, the freshmen made their way through their first year of high school. Social events included the Silver Cotillion, held on October 22, and the Freshmen Fling, held early in the spring.

Freshmen also made their mark in athletics, with freshmen teams competing in football, basketball, and baseball. Some freshmen earned berths on varsity or frosh-soph teams in the above sports and in wrestling, track, and golf as well.

— Bunny Ogden





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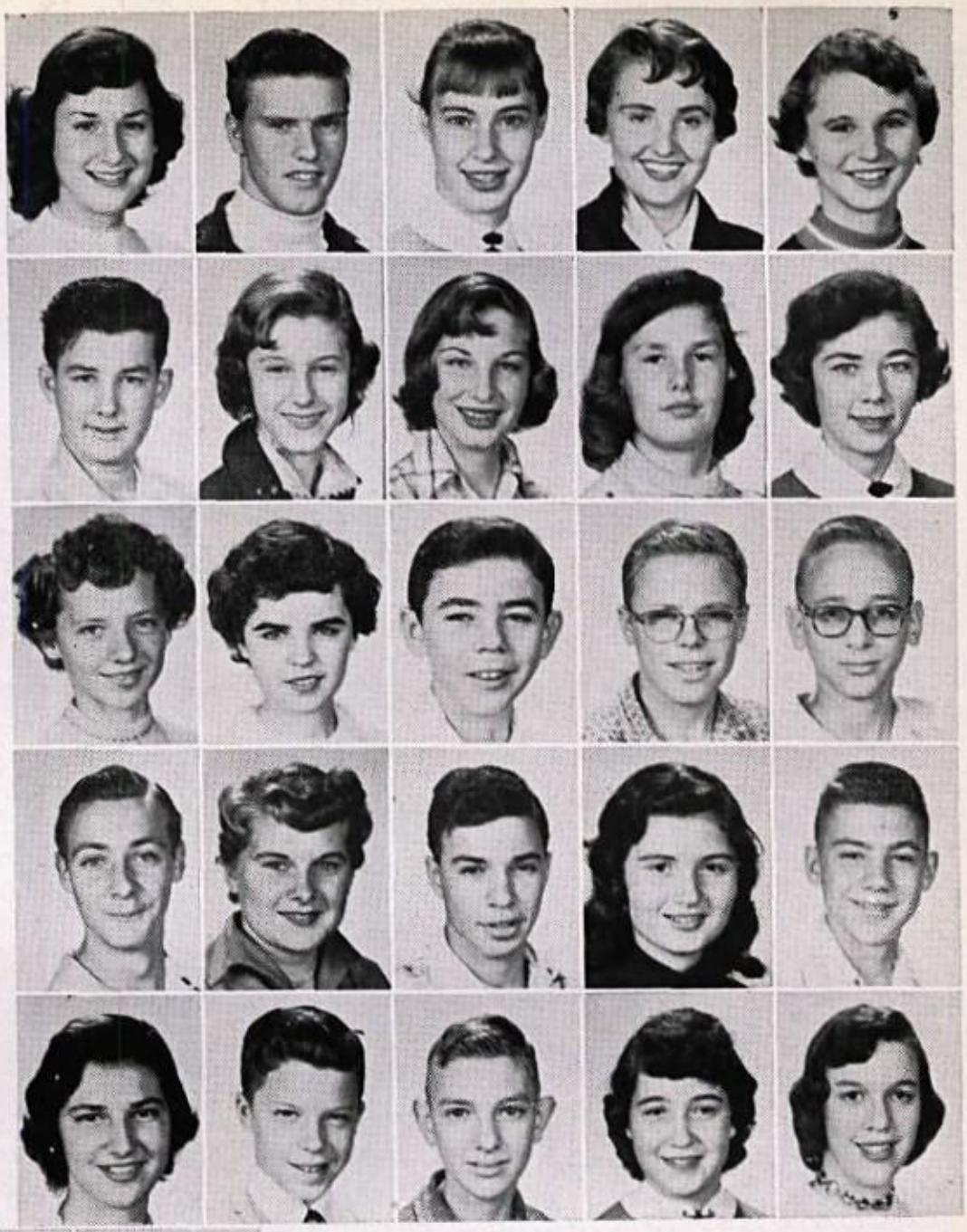

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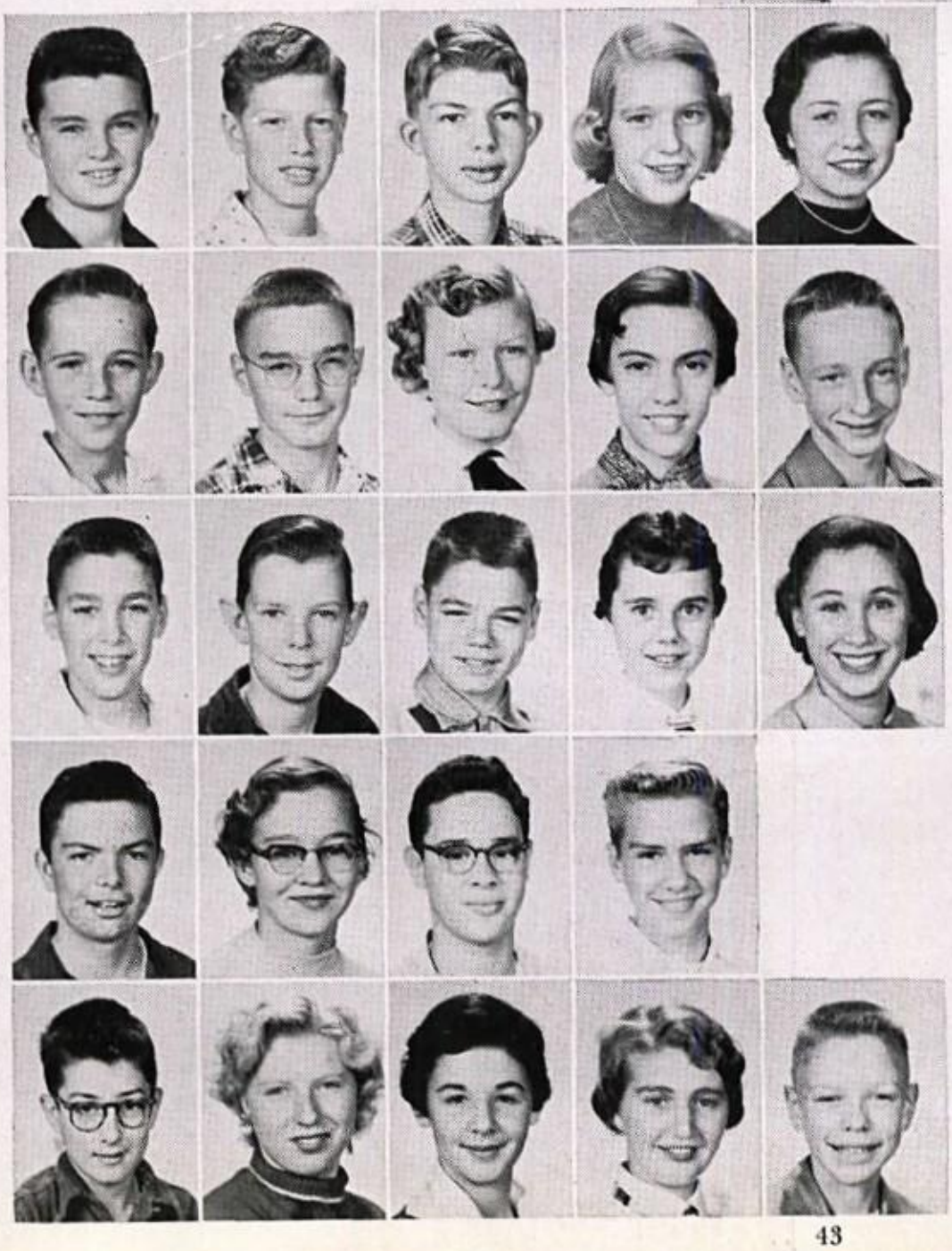

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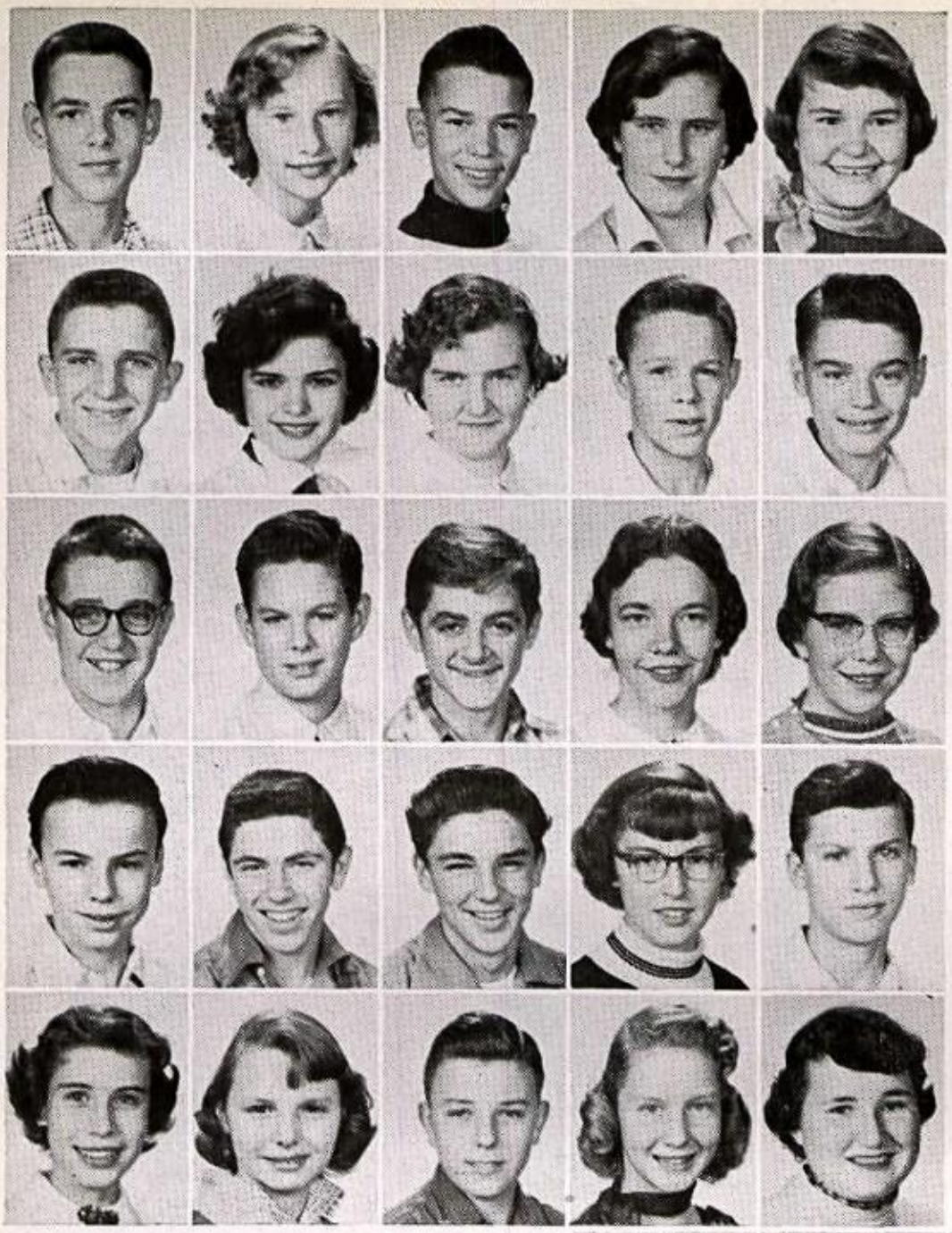

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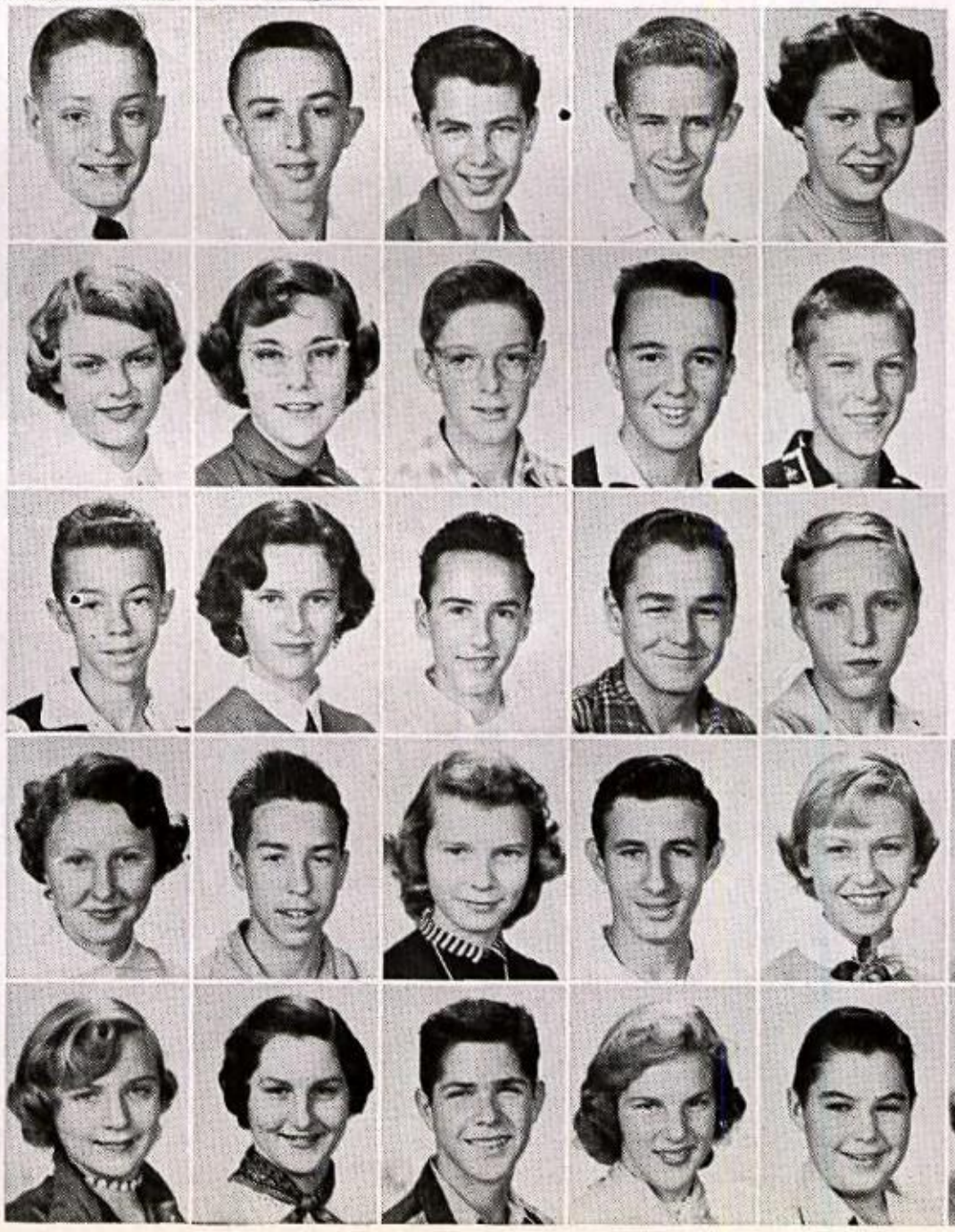

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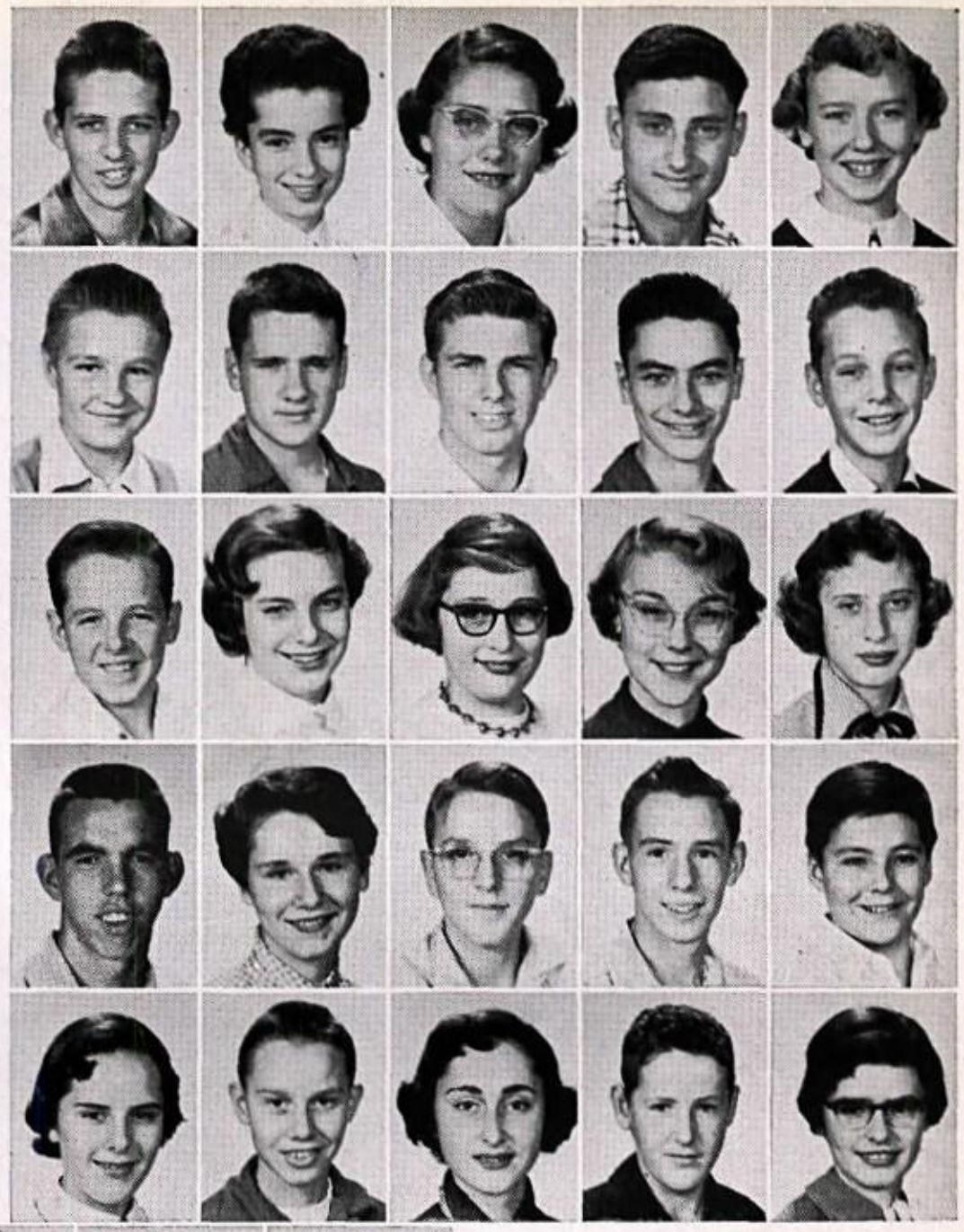

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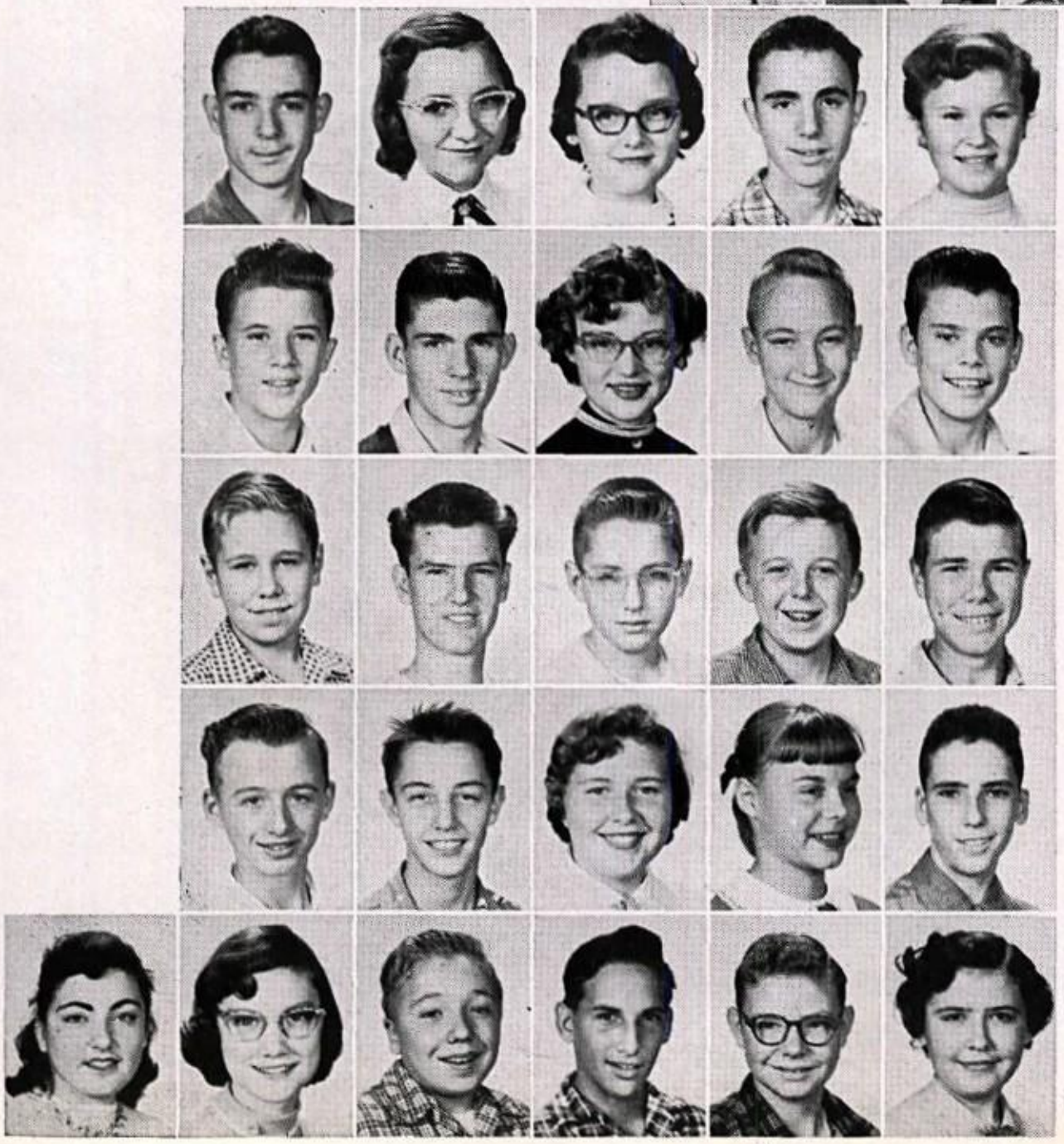

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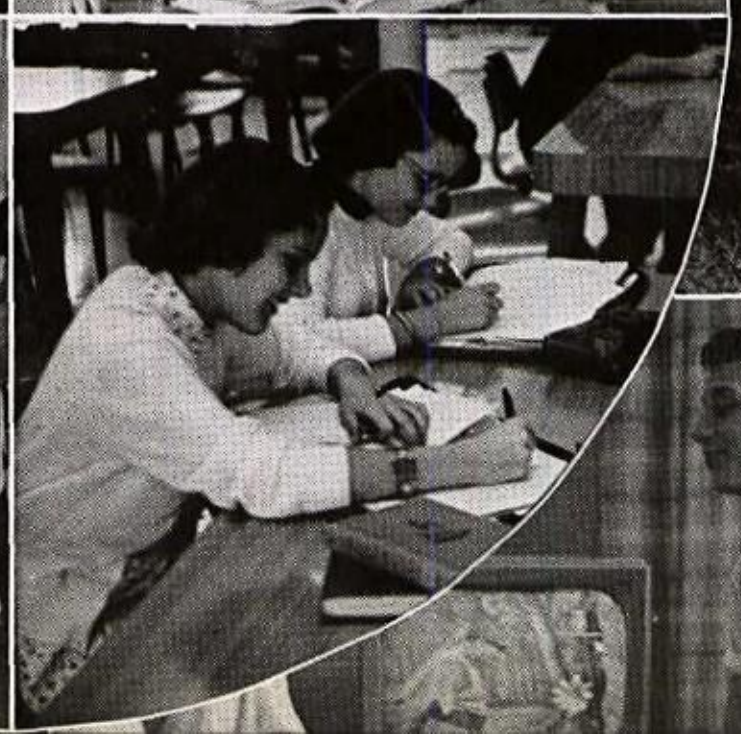


ACADEMICS

RICH-ites at WORK . . .

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" someone said, perhaps not too accurately! But all work and no play is not much fun, and definitely not in the Rich tradition. Rich High emphasizes balance between classwork, extra-class activities, and leisure time pursuits. Such balance just doesn't happen. Careful, competent counseling and guidance helps make the four year educational program the best possible for each student. Such a program is tailor made to each individual—that's what makes our Rich High different and better! The individual interest and sincere concern of each teacher and each counselor inspires students to do their best. Our modern curriculum offers a wide variety of courses to meet every student's needs—college bound, for job or trade, marriage or military service. From such formidable course titles as Economics, Rhetoric and Composition, Psychology, Pre-professional Algebra, Engineering and Machine Drafting, to equally valuable courses whose titles are more easily understood — Biology, American Literature, World History, Speech, French, General Mathematics, Spanish, Bookkeeping, Art, Homemaking and General Shop. From broad, "liberal arts" or general education courses of value to everyone to specialized courses for pre-professional preparation, special interests and aptitudes, or special help in the way of remedial work. This is the "academic" side of our school. We are fortunate to be able to select courses from so wide an offering — and doubly fortunate to have such friendly and valuable guidance in planning our program. We're proud of our curriculum!

—Dave Perlmutter

French

This course deals with the development of the ability to read simple French materials, and to speak and to write French with accuracy. Special emphasis is placed upon understanding the culture of the French people, their life, and habits.

French II continues the development of skills in reading, writing, and speaking. Practice and group activities lead to better mastery of vocabulary and grammar forms. Stories, plays, factual material, French history, and literature are used as reading materials.

—Terry Sloan

Spanish

Spanish flavor begins the first day with "Como esta usted?" — How are you. To get used to thinking and speaking a different language, Spanish students must start the first day. In contrast to the first year students bewilderment the second year students carried on conversations in the language. The second year Spanish students also were writing letters to the Latin Republics. First year students had a lot to learn.

To learn more about Spanish and language the combined Spanish classes celebrated Spanish fashion El dia de los Muertos "The Day of the Dead." It is a holiday in honor of the dead, and the Rich, Crete, and Bloom students took part in the day on November second. Together with French department, Christmas customs were celebrated, with the breaking of the traditional penata. Pan American day, April 14, was the climax of Spanish calendar, in which all the Spanish classes participated in the annual program. This program staged an exciting if somewhat non-traditional bull fight. — Ole.

—Sharon Heald - Nancy Jacobs

Mathematics

Studying together, a group of math students are figuring out a geometry problem. Look puzzled? Can't quite figure it out? They will, under the efficient guidance of the mathematic instructors of Rich High.

Various math courses offered at Rich are: General Math, Practical Math, Pre-Professional Algebra, Plane and Solid Geometry, Advanced and College Algebra, Trigonometry and Math Seminar, Algebra and Functional Math, Plane Geometry and Functional Math, Advanced Algebra, and Solid Geometry and Trigonometry. Both the instructors and students make each individual class interesting, varied, and educational.

—Carol Goldsmith

Mechanical Drawing

Mechanical drawing is a one-semester elective course offered to juniors and seniors. Instruction is provided in the proper use of drawing materials and equipment. Attention is given to the fundamentals of lettering, measuring, and drawing to scale. Class members learn to read and write the language of industry and to follow commercial practice in constructing exact working drawings that comply with American standards.

—*Howard Woodman*

Latin

"Britannia est insula!" This is one of the first Latin phrases learned. From then on the words get harder and longer! But George VanderWyden, Rich's Latin teacher, teaches you to keep up with the swift pace of learning vocabulary and grammar. That is the main problem in first year Latin. Also there is a conversational section where you learn to speak Latin as fluently as possible.

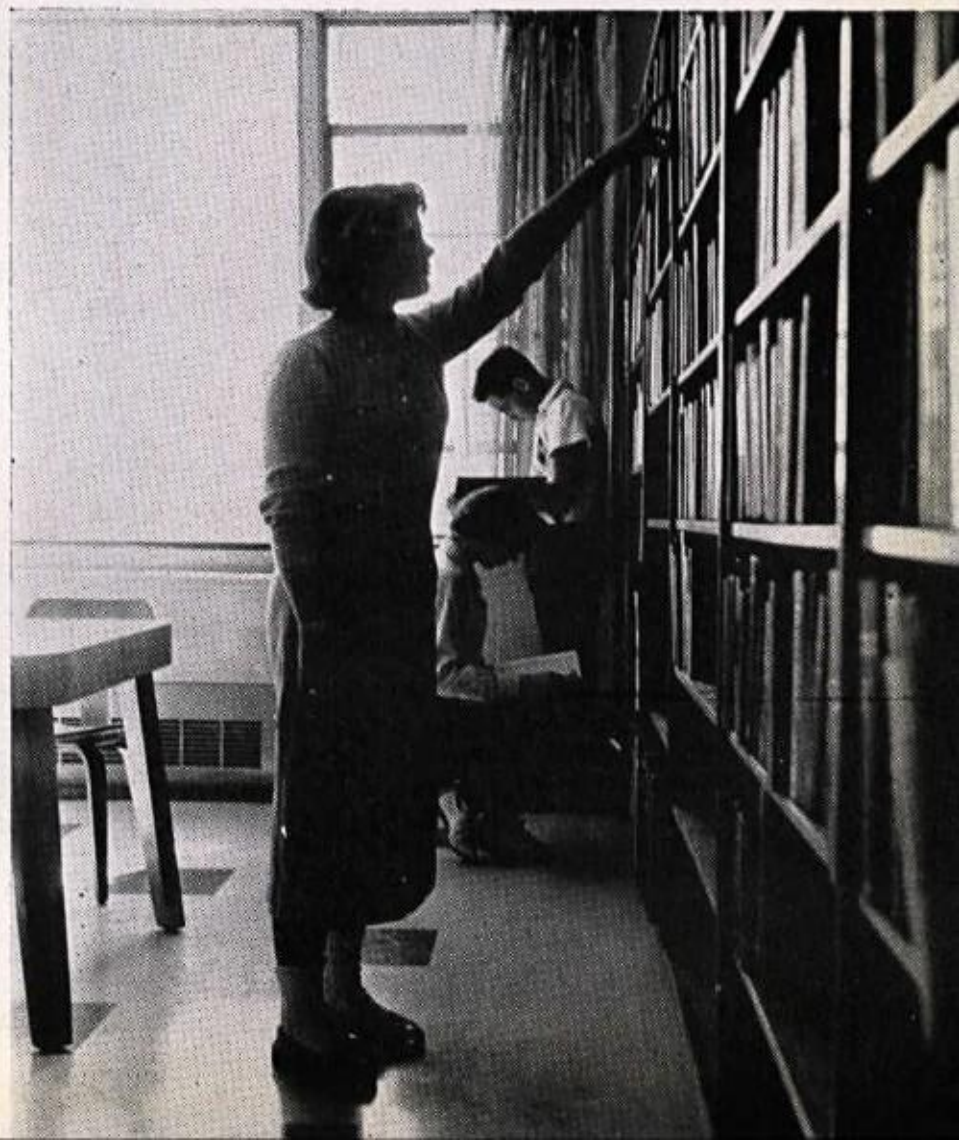
Second year Latin is devoted largely to reading the Gallic Wars by Julius Caesar, and to conversational, cultural and other class activities related to Latin.

—*Judy Machin*

Library

Under the direction of Mr. Roy Evans, Rich's library provides students with a wide selection of books, magazines and other materials. In the past year the library has begun a vocational file for the benefit of students seeking help in choosing a career, and its back files of magazines and newspaper clippings are useful as reference material. Plans for next year include the possible addition of 1,000 new volumes and more complete picture and clipping files. Circulation figures bear out the statement that our library is one of the most popular and valuable parts of Rich. It is truly the heart of the school.

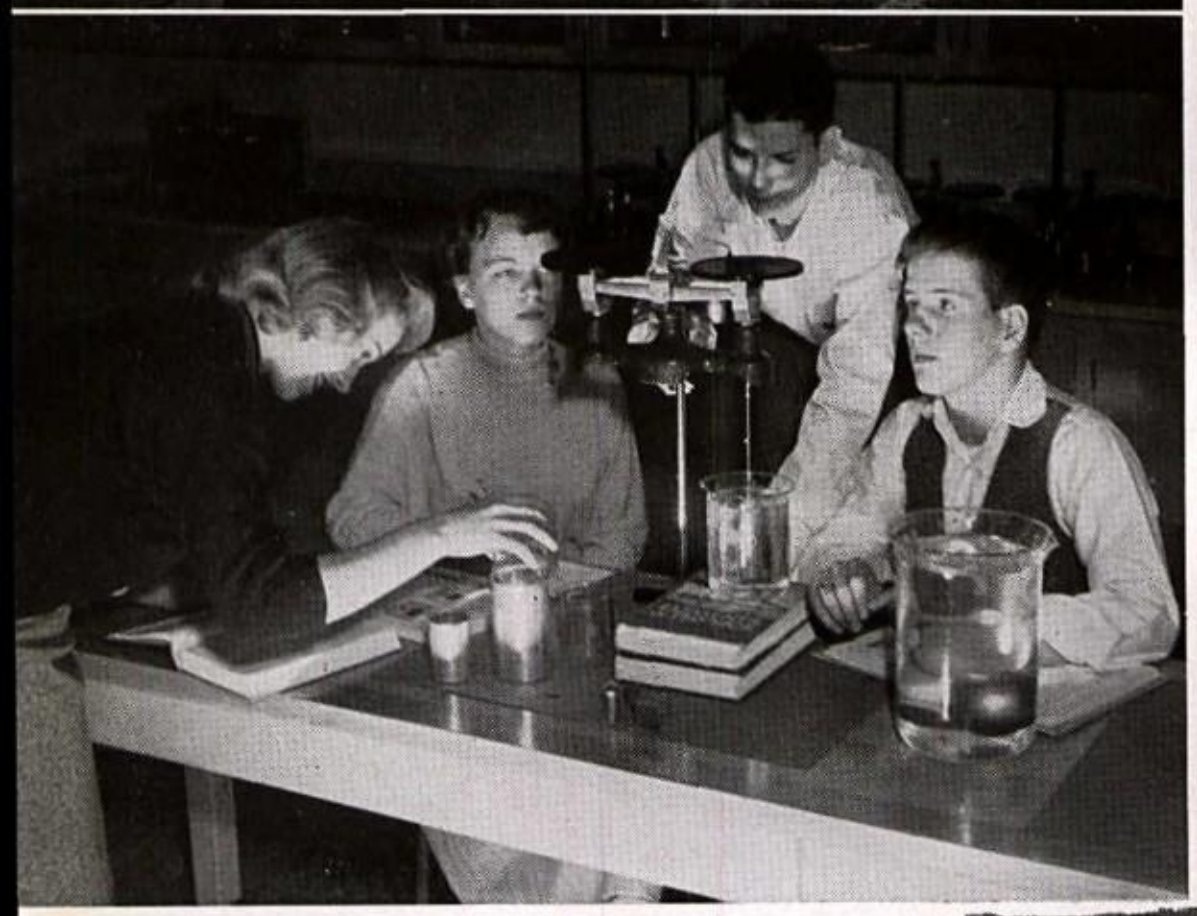
—*Nancy Sammons*



Chemistry

Open to eleventh and twelfth grades, chemistry deals with the composition of matter and the reactions it undergoes in producing the many products used in modern living. Lectures and demonstrations, research in books and periodicals, discussions, reports, individual project work, field trips, motion pictures, and other study techniques are used in the course. Laboratory experiments were both fun and educational, and we learned accurate and precise habits through semi-micro laboratory techniques.

—*Terry Sloan*



Physics

The study of energy forms: heat, light, sound, electricity, magnetism, electronics, and atomic energy is the purpose of the physics class. These advanced students view man's relationship in the physical world by the use of principles of physics.

Mr. Tollefson and the class perform many laboratory experiments in which they discover the principles, relationships, effects, and laws of matter in their study of physics. Highly scientific movies are also shown in this course which present many of the latest scientific endeavors. Many everyday occurrences are explained in physics so students really understand why things "do like they do."

—*Sonia Schmeckpeper*

Biology

Biology, a freshman course at Rich, is the study of all living things from a blade of grass to a human being, and how they live.

During the "lab" periods we conducted many interesting and informative experiments in dissection, and learning the laws and "why" of things. Every student enjoys the field trips in connection with biology, that really turned school work into fun.

Incorporated in this course are some things which to most of us were new, making it a different kind of class from any other and one to be remembered for a long time to come.

—*Marilyn Daly*

Geography and World Affairs

The main purpose of Geography and World Affairs is to enable its students to better understand the nature of the world and its problems in politics, economics, and international relations. In addition Geography and World Affairs points out that interdependence is inherent in a political and economic world and that international cooperation is desirable. A study is made of the present world alignment and conflicts dividing the political world into three main parts: 1) Pro-democratic, 2) Pro-communist, 3) Neutral.

Students should be able to collect and organize important data on world problems, and to understand, recognize, and critically calculate the causes of world tensions.

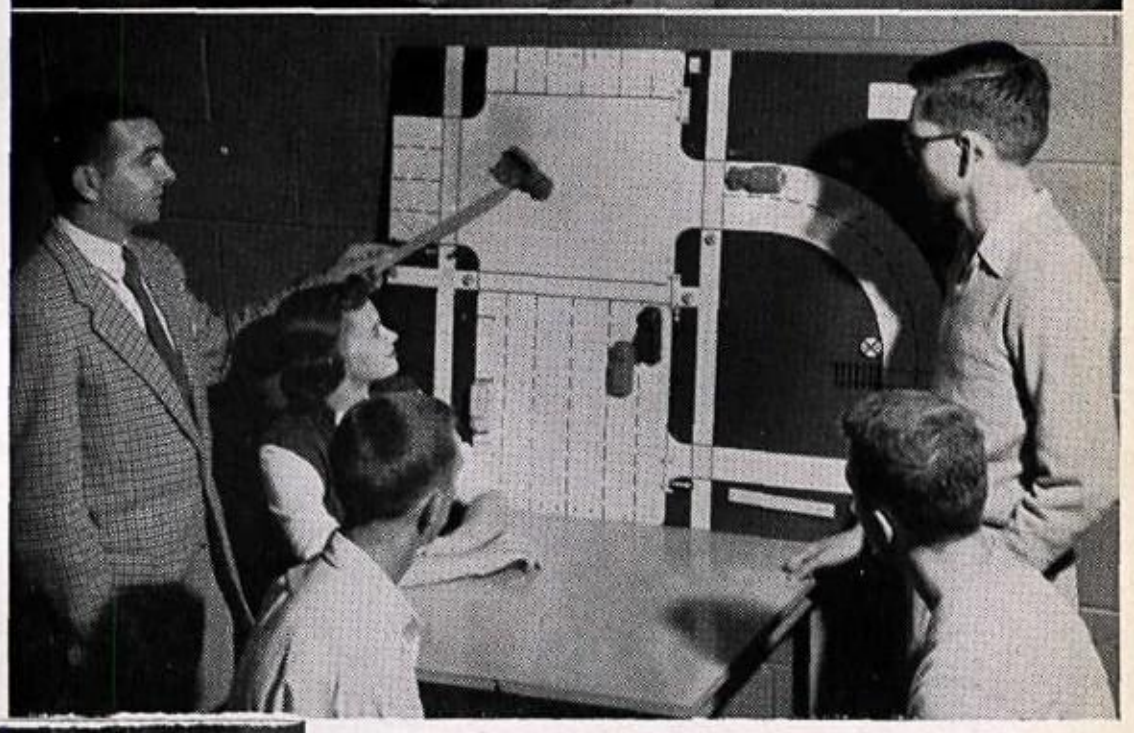
— Carolyn Lamblin

Driver Education

Driver Education is one of our most unusual courses offered at Rich, and one with a great amount of practical value in our later lives. Having the opportunity to become better drivers, we correspondingly have the opportunity to be better citizens.

Besides classroom training there is behind the wheel practice in actual traffic situations. Not only do we learn to drive but to drive safely, intelligently and courteously. The course helps to prove to our parents, our community and ourselves that teenagers are not necessarily careless drivers. Accomplishing this realizes one of the goals of our school, to produce better citizens.

— Marilyn Daly



Physical Science

To the Physical Science students the "atom" simply means "that of which all matter is composed."

Physical science consists of the study of astronomy, geology, weather and climate, electricity and atomic energy.

In addition to the fine and interesting teaching, there are many demonstrations, films, and film strips which help to make the course more stimulating.

— Bonnie Scheffler

Girls' Physical Education

There is always a variety of activities going on in the girls' physical education. During the spring months, the senior girls take golf while the freshmen, sophomores, and juniors try their hands at softball or archery. Inside sports played during the winter include co-ed volleyball, basketball, and co-ed square and round dancing. Remember the charleyhorse and grace(?) we developed while learning the art of modern dance? Our able advisors this year have been Miss June Duffield and Miss Marilyn Please who took Mrs. Nilsen's place in the middle of the year.

— *Jody Adams*

Health Office

One of the most active places in school is the nurse's office. Students with cuts, bruises, and colds all bring their troubles to the school nurse, Mrs. D. Fahler. There are adequate facilities in the nurse's office for students with colds, headaches and other minor ailments.

Eye, ear and nose check-ups were given students during gym classes. These are just a few of the many things that Mrs. Fahler checks to insure better health for Rich High students.

— *Barbara Schaller*

Boys' Physical Education

The boys' physical education classes each year participate in a well rounded schedule of athletic activities designed to keep each boy in top physical fitness.

September saw the classes playing touch football with the spirit of keen competition. As the fall weather grew colder, the classes withdrew to a season of interclass basketball. By spring each boy welcomed the opportunity to go outside again. Every day, weather permitting, baseball games were the order of events. All in all, at Rich, physical education classes were eagerly awaited each day.

— *Jim Cole*

Unified Studies

One of the most popular courses to be taken at Rich High are the Unified Studies. They are actually a combination of two fields, English and Social Studies. They are offered through all four years of high school and are taken in a double period. They make Social Studies and English much more interesting by studying each subject concurrently.

In Unified Studies I, English is combined with Social Living which deals with school, community, and personal life. Unified Studies II is based on wide reading of historical fiction and classical literature; World History and English II are the combined courses.

American Studies, American History and American Literature. These studies make up Unified Studies III.

Unified Studies IV is a senior course in a single period. It combines Senior Problems (problems of democracy) with Home and Family Living (marriage, personality, and on-the-job problems).

— Judy Machin

Homemaking

Homemaking teaches you the fundamentals of everyday living, namely cooking, sewing, and child care. These three things help prepare you for the important job of marriage and family life.

Homemaking teaches us cooking, from the easy basic foods to tasty foreign dishes.

In sewing you learn how to buy patterns, materials, how to sew and take care of the sewing machine.

Lastly, homemaking teaches you child care from an infant to the age of six years.

— Barbara Cederquist

World History

World History provides the student with a thorough understanding of current world problems and situations through a study of the historical backgrounds of the many nations. The course emphasizes the influence of political and economic geography on the growth of nations and traces the development of democracy from its beginnings in the civilization of ancient Greece to its place of importance in the world today.

— Dave Perlmutter

Industrial Arts

A full program in industrial arts is offered to students at Rich. Beginning with the nine-week exploratory course taken by freshmen as part of the freshman survey, the curriculum continues with general shop the sophomore year.

In the junior and senior years, students are offered a variety of courses in the industrial arts. They may elect courses in metals, mechanical drawing, woodworking, and engineering and machine drafting and architectural drafting. These courses prepare the student for further training in the industrial arts or for jobs after graduation from high school.

— *Dave Perlmutter*

English

English at Rich is one of our broadest learning areas, including nine separate courses. We learn and practice all of the basic and finer points of our language. Fundamental work in grammar and composition is done in English 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Expressing our ideas and having them understood, orally and in writing are important features of speech, rhetoric and journalism courses. Learning to understand others' ideas is gained in Literature courses through detailed analyses of all types of written work from poetry and propaganda to fiction and the classics.

We realize English offers some of the most valuable and useful knowledge to be gained during our high school days.

— *Marilyn Daly*

Journalism

Journalism instruction begins with newswriting. We later advanced to feature writing, sports writing, editorials, and the mechanical end of publishing a newspaper, including make-up, copy and proof reading, type fonts (styles) and writing headlines.

In the spring the class is divided into several groups and each group writes its own four page newspaper. Each group wrote and typed its own newspaper stories, editorials and column, and also did its own make-up and copyreading. The course ended with a section on newspaper history and ethics.

— *Bess Mayhew*

Shorthand

A rolling "rk" character means practically nothing to most students, but to Shorthand I and II students, it means "work."

Shorthand is a simplified method of writing; its main purpose is to save time. Words are written according to the way they are pronounced. Many letters in the English language which are silent are therefore eliminated. This is a skill which is comparatively easy to learn, but requires much concentration, and a great deal of practice.

Under the guidance of Miss Norma Thomas, 28 girls have found the advantage of shorthand for future reference. Not only can this skill be useful in the business world, but much time and effort can be saved when taking notes in the classroom or preparing a rough draft for a term paper.

And, believe it or not, this different and useful skill is actually fun!

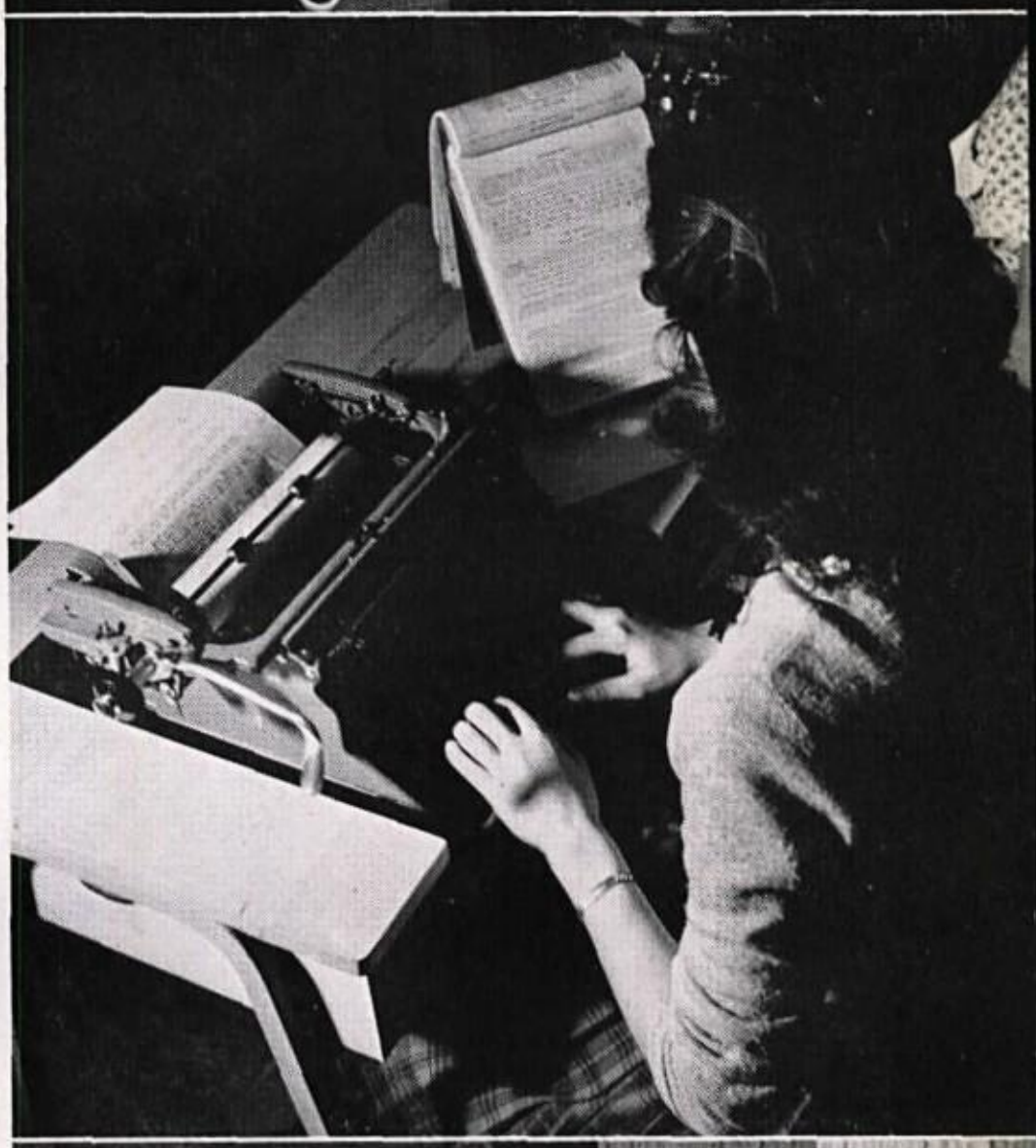
— *Charlene McLoughlin*

Typing

The building of a practical skill in typewriting is the primary aim of any course in typewriting. Rightly understood though, skill is not merely the ability to type at so many words a minute, but the ability to type materials that have a use value at an appropriate speed and with acceptable accuracy.

Here at Rich there are three different courses offered. In the Freshmen survey course, which is one semester, you get an idea of typing and its advantages. You learn to care for your typewriter, memorizing its parts and keys, and an acceptable amount of accuracy and speed. Personal typing, which is a half year course, teaches you to type letters, reports, term papers, and many other useful articles. Vocational typing, a full year course, is for the student who wants to make a career of typing. They learn to type such things as invoices, statements and to improve what they already know.

— *Nancy Jacobs*



Speech

If you had walked into room 238 fourth or fifth period this year you might have seen and heard some unusual things. You might have heard a speech on "Why you should save candy bar wrappers" or a hot debate on "Whether to rent or buy a house."

Taught by Mr. Sidney Johnson, the Speech course has been of great value to those of us who took it. Many of us who were afraid to speak before people have gradually lost that fear; some of us who could not be heard have learned to project our voices; and all of us have become aware of our bad speech habits and have had help in correcting them. We have all learned to speak over heckling.

Five students went to the district speech contest at Bradley-Bourbonnais High School. There we won two second and one third place.

Speech has been fun and worthwhile — everyone should take it!

— *Lee Stanfield*

Freshman Survey

The Freshman Survey, which is offered to all freshmen, is an exploratory course in homemaking, arts and crafts, personal typing, and industrial arts. The freshmen spend a quarter-year in each of these fields.

Included in the homemaking quarter are food selection and preparation, housekeeping skills, meal planning, and clothing construction.

The arts and crafts quarter deals with simple projects including figure drawing, poster construction, and elementary ceramics.

Students in the industrial arts section learn names and uses of common hand and power tools, and develop the skills necessary to complete projects in wood.

The personal typing section helps the students gain typing skills which enable them to use the typwriter in writing personal and business letters, and in preparing school assignments.

— *Miriam Perlmutter*

Arts and Crafts

Brushes, hammers, files, kilns, and saws are always working full speed in the arts and crafts room. They help make many brilliant accents of jewelry or pictures. Crafts do not end with jewelry or pictures, but cover everything to please varying interests. This may mean making a scale model of a home, a useful basket or other containers, finger painting, metal posters, 3D signs and oil paintings, to name only a few.

The art department is the center of hubbub when a dance is being planned, or when advertisements are created for any activity. In this sense it may be spoken of as one of the most versatile departments of Rich High.

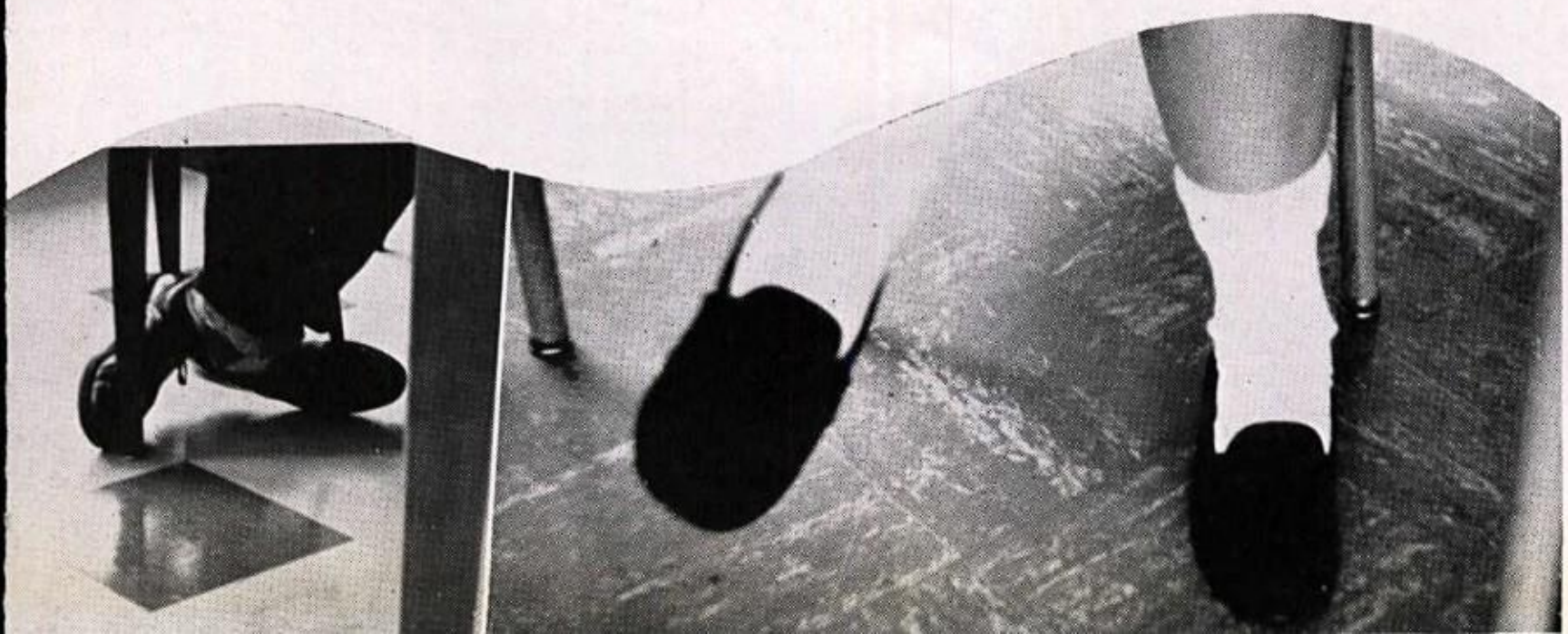
— *Margene Swanson*

RICH-ites Have FUN . . .

"ALL play and no work makes Jack a not-so-bright boy" someone said, again perhaps not too accurately. But there is a time for work — classwork, homework, reference work, athletic training, music practice, and so on — just as there is a time for play. Rich High's activities balance the "academics." Our activities are our time for play, fun and more informal learning. Some of the activities are pretty serious, though — our Student Council, the active and important student government organization and the Rich High News staff and the Lagoon staff are representative of these. Our conference athletic activities include football, basketball, baseball, track and wrestling, added to these is our very extensive intramural program. Boys' intramurals included bowling, swimming, touch football, basketball (remember those final games?) and soft ball. Girls' intramurals included bowling, swimming, soccer, speedball, volleyball and badminton.

Our club program offered opportunities for almost every special interest one can think of — science, photography, music, art, future teachers and future homemakers, radio, dramatics, foreign language, hobbies, and so on. Several active groups were primarily "service to school and community" in purpose. These included the ever-dependable and efficient Office Aides, the Key Club whose service projects to school and community compared with any adult organization nearby, and the R Men's Club, whose loyal and conscientious work during games and assemblies in crowd control was outstanding. Last but not least in the way of activities are the many music groups. The Band was one of the most active school groups, colorful and ever ready to play and add sparkle to any event. The several ensembles worked hard and won honors, as did the Rich High Choir. The choir was rated superior (none better!) in state competition. Choral Club and Cadet Chorus also presented many memorable performances. All in all our activity program is best described as one of the riches of Rich High.

—Dave Perlmutter



ACTIVITIES

G A A

It's a Woman's World

The Girls' Athletic Association promotes through its various activities an interest in athletics and physical accomplishment. Its goal is to create good sportsmanship and to cooperate with other organizations in promoting and maintaining the highest possible standards of high school life.

Active membership is based on the point system, making it necessary for a girl to participate in several activities during the year.

1955 found a long list of sports including bowling, volleyball, basketball, swimming and baseball, being played by G.A.A. members.

Trying to maintain their "most active club" award the girls also sponsored a potluck dinner for new members, several playdays, Hobo Day, the Spinsters' Spree and a Box Social.

Working and playing together the girls found a new bond of friendship through co-operation.

The officers for the past year were: president, Nancy Eiben; vice-president, Roberta Jacobs; secretary, Bonnie Scheffler; treasurer, Kay Lockridge. Board members, one from each class, were: Phyllis Treby, Margene Swanson, Nancy Fike, and Liz Craddock. — *Bonnie Scheffler*

Student Council

The Rich High Student Council has eighteen members. Those members are elected by their respective class; three members from the Freshman class, four from the Sophomore class, five from the Junior class, and six from the Senior class. Officers are elected by the council itself.

The council began the school year by putting the soda bar and our student lounge back into operation. Milk shakes, sundaes, candy, and cokes were sold at the soda bar, while the television set and various games were enjoyed by everyone in the lounge.

The council also sponsored two dances later in the year, one held in April and one in June. For the first dance of the year, the Student Council sponsored the "Football Fling" which was held after one of our first football games. Next came the first dressy dance of the year, our homecoming dance entitled "Reflections." Here, a king and queen were crowned.

Basketball posters were distributed to the merchants by the council.

Each council member attended at least one meeting of the Southwest Suburban Conference of Student Councils. Meetings are held to discuss any type of problems a school may have, and much has been gained from these meetings. We also sent to students to the annual convention of the Illinois Association of Student Councils which was held in Peoria this year. Students came from all parts of the state to attend this convention. The convention was climaxed by a dinner-dance Saturday night.

The Student Council hopes it has served the student body efficiently by helping to make the school a better one and its activities available to all and participated in by all.

— Beth Parkhurst

Future Teachers of America

Ellen Kneafsey, a sophomore, served as president of the Future Teachers of America this past year. Working with her as an executive committee were Dave Summers, vice president; Pat Garretson, secretary; Andy Lundquist, treasurer, and Charlotte Woodruff.

To fulfill the club's purpose of providing information concerning the teaching profession, various panel discussions were held. A panel composed of teachers in the elementary schools addressed the group with the "Advantages and Disadvantages of Elementary Teaching." Members of our high school staff also talked to the club on the subject of "Why Teach?"

Other club activities included a talk by Dr. Staker about colleges and scholarships and a joint meeting of the Bloom and Rich F.T.A. The highlight of the year's program was a trip to Illinois State Normal College.

— Charlotte Woodruff

Key Club

The local chapter of Key Clubs International, youth wing of the Kiwanis Club of Park Forest, has kept its members on their toes this year. The club has been one of the busiest clubs in school. During the past summer they played a big part in making the local Kiwanis Pancake Day a huge success. By selling tickets, cooking and serving pancakes, they made several thousand dollars to buy playground equipment and support the Boy and Girl Scout troops in Park Forest.

On Halloween, the Key Club sponsored an all-school dance. Many couples attended and several stout-hearted individuals came in different types of costumes.

On Sunday, March 13, at the International Amphitheatre in Chicago, the greatest array of stars ever gathered for a single performance presented their acts before 50,000 teenagers. This program was cosponsored by all Key Clubs in Chicago and suburban area.

A major activity of the Key Club this year was a clothing drive in March and April. Several tons of clothing—hundreds of bundles —were gathered and shipped.

The Key Club was often called upon to usher at various school activities. Members of the club ushered at both the Junior and Senior plays and at Commencement. Service to school and community is their motto.

— Jim Cole

Le Cercle Francais

To further the appreciation of France, her culture, and her language is the purpose of le Cercle Francais, or the French club. Sponsored by Miss Marian Nelson, the club's officers are Dave Perlmutter, president; Pat Garretson, vice president; Kay Engelmann, secretary; and Charlotte Woodruff, treasurer.

"The Rise and Fall of the French Revolution" was the name of an assembly presented by the club and the French classes in March. In this play, the Jacobins, all named Jaques, spend their time with Madame Garage at the Taverne de corruption, plotting against the aristocracy. The aristocracy consisted of students imitating faculty members. Other activities completed a busy French club year.

— Pat Garretson

Science Club

Film, field trips, laboratory demonstrations, lectures, and individual projects marked the activities of the Science Club this year. Under the sponsorship of Miss Rosemary Ehl and Thurlo Tollefson, the club met on Monday nights. Highlights of the year included a field trip to the Museum of Science and Industry in November, the viewing of a series of films on atomic energy from the Argonne National Laboratory, and a lecture given by Dr. Skaggs of the Argonne Laboratory on the linear accelerator.

Membership in the Science Club is restricted to juniors and seniors who are or have been enrolled in physics or chemistry, and are interested in science. Officers of the club are Ralph Meyers, president: June Swift, vice president; and Terry Sloan, secretary-treasurer.

— Dave Perlmutter

Biology Club

Activities of the Biology Club this year included field trips, a talk by a pathologist, and a dance early in the year co-sponsored with the Key Club. The club donated their profits to the Junior class for use on the Junior-Senior Prom.

Meetings are held once a month, but next year they hope to meet more often. They also wish to expand their membership to have a bigger and better club.

— Michele Kearney

Kamera Klub

Kamera Klub was started for all students interested in taking better pictures and learning to develop, print, enlarge and retouch their pictures. They take pictures of all school activities. In 1953 and 1954 the club started out without dark room equipment or cameras. They sold candy, cokes and ran a coat check room. From the money they earned they have obtained dark room equipment which includes a sink and cabinets. Included in this year's activities were a series of lectures given on composition, physics and chemistry of photography.

All pictures which are taken are put in a photography book and may be looked at any time, and the negatives are kept in case anyone wishes to order pictures.

Club sponsor is Mr. Hutchinson and club president is Mike Lester, vice-president, Ted Peck and secretary-treasurer is Barbara Schaller.

— Nancy Sammons

Bowling

Bowling Club served a double purpose. It was a recreational outlet for the girls and it also represents a sport which has a carry-over into later life.

The club existed the first semester of the school year. It consisted of fourteen teams, with five regulars and one substitute. It met on Thursday nights from 3:45 to 5:30.

Eleanor Kush and Marge Dickinson were the Bowling Club secretaries. Miss Rosemary Ehl was the sponsor. Her help and encouraging words were certainly appreciated by all.

—Terry Sloan

Team Captains	*Places*
Eleanore Kush	First
Marlene Schopp	Second
Jan Baker	Third
Ruth Lustfeldt	Fourth
Judy Millar	Fifth

The girls with the highest averages:

Bev Krabbe	128
Lee Moylan	107
Mary Ellen Thimblin	105
Pat Albert	104
Marge Dickinson	103
Charlotte Woodruff	103
Sarna Dravnieks	102
Marlene Schopp	101
Marilyn Danis	100

Pep Club

The Pep Club of Rich High School was organized at the beginning of the school year 1954-55.

The purpose of the Pep Club is to promote better school spirit and sportsmanship, and to be of help to the cheerleaders. The club is present at all home events.

Members made all the green and gold pom-poms to add color to the cheers and to promote spirit.

The officers for 1954-1955 are: President, Bonnie Scheffler; Vice-President; Joyce Rogers; Secretary, Ginny Zucks; and Treasurer, Barbara Wolff.

The official dress of the Pep Club is white long sleeved sweaters or blouses, dark skirts, green and gold scarfs around the neck, and small emblems.

All members attend home games in full dress.

The Pep Club is one of the largest and most active clubs at Rich High and is a firmly established and permanent organization in the school.

— Bonnie Scheffler

"R" Mens Club

The Rich Lettermen, or "R" Club was first organized in 1952 under the direction of Mr. George VanderWeyden. The purpose of the club is to give distinction to the varsity athletes and to inspire and lead the students, fans and future athletes in good sportsmanship and conduct. During the past two years the lettermen have been seen regularly ushering and keeping order at basketball games and school assemblies. During 1954-55 Ray Logan has presided as president, with the help of Ron Nelson, vice-president, and Bob Purcell, secretary-treasurer. During the past years the "R" Club has stood as a symbol of Rich High's desire to be a leader in sportsmanship as well as athletics.

— Jim Cole

RICH HIGH NEWS

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A position in the newspaper world . . . a career for the future . . . probably neither of these was the reason why anyone joined the constantly moving pace of the Rich High Newspaper staff. More than likely we volunteered for the fun and enjoyment we would receive from working on it.

The staff was now a little more experienced than the "green hands" that guided the News through the first year of "hard to meet" deadlines.

Even though our green hands were more steady, it sometimes seemed as though the unfinished layout and unfinished stories would keep us from meeting the deadline! But with the ever constant guidance of the paper's sponsor, Miss Mary Konstans, the Rich High News has always been published on time. None of the confusion and hum-drum ever kept the copy from reaching the printer on his due dates.

It may not have prepared any of us to go out into the world and become professional reporters, but it kept every one of us constantly in touch not only with the student body, but with the faculty as well. And no one could have learned to have responsibility and to write the truth more than those connected with the paper and its wonderful sponsor.

— *Marlene Schopp*

National Honor Society

The Rich Township High School chapter of the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools received its charter from the National Council of the National Honor Society in January. Membership in the Society, which is limited to juniors and seniors, is based on the grades a student has received since entering high school. To be eligible for membership, seniors must have a 3.5 grade average, while juniors must maintain an average of 3.75. Members are elected by the chapter council, which is composed of Alban Wasson Coen II, administrative assistant; James E. Staker, school psychologist and senior adviser; and Thurlo Tollefson, science and mathematics instructor. Members are chosen on the basis of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

The purpose of the National Honor Society is to "create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character."

Among the activities of the Rich High chapter of the National Honor Society were a banquet held on May 17 for members and their guests and the supervision of the annual honors assembly. Officers of the Society were Tom Harrington, president; Bruce Peryam, vice president; Nancy Machin, secretary, and Terry Sloan, treasurer. Members of the Board of Directors are Sandy Bowen, Pat Garretson, Ralph Meyers, Joe Ogden, Beth Parkhurst, Dave Perlmutter, Roger Taylor, Charlotte Woodruff, Sue Cowan, Larry Fuller, Joy Mayhew, Vicki Meyers, Steve Phillips, Ron Tschudy, Claude Wells, Dick Whittington, and Lee Stanfield.

— Dave Perlmutter

Dramatics Club

The Dramatics Club was organized to promote an interest in dramatics and associated activities. Its members present at least one play a year for the school. This year the play was "Nobody Sleeps" by Guernsey LePelley. Each club member has his own job; it may be props, scenery, costuming, student director or actor. This year the Conference Drama Contest was held at Rich on March 26, in which the Dramatics Club again presented "Nobody Sleeps." All conference schools participated in the contest. On March 5th the State Contest was held at Bradley High School in Bradley. Some of the club members took part in this contest.

The club, which has been in existence for two years, is sponsored this year by Mr. Sidney Johnson, Speech and English teacher. The officers are Mary-Ellen Thimblin, president; Judi Morell, vice-president; and Barbara Teissler, Secretary-Treasurer.

Office Aids

This year, 22 girls served as office aides. This is not a course in business training because no credit is given, but it could well be one. During this hour, which would ordinarily be a study hall for the girls, they helped Mrs. Laura Baillie and Mrs. Joel Hoel with all sorts of odd jobs that needed to be done, such as sharpening pencils and sorting mail. Other duties were answering the switchboard and delivering call and absence slips to the various rooms.

For the girls it was good experience and a lot of fun and also their way of rendering a service to Rich High.

— Ruth Custfeldt

Band

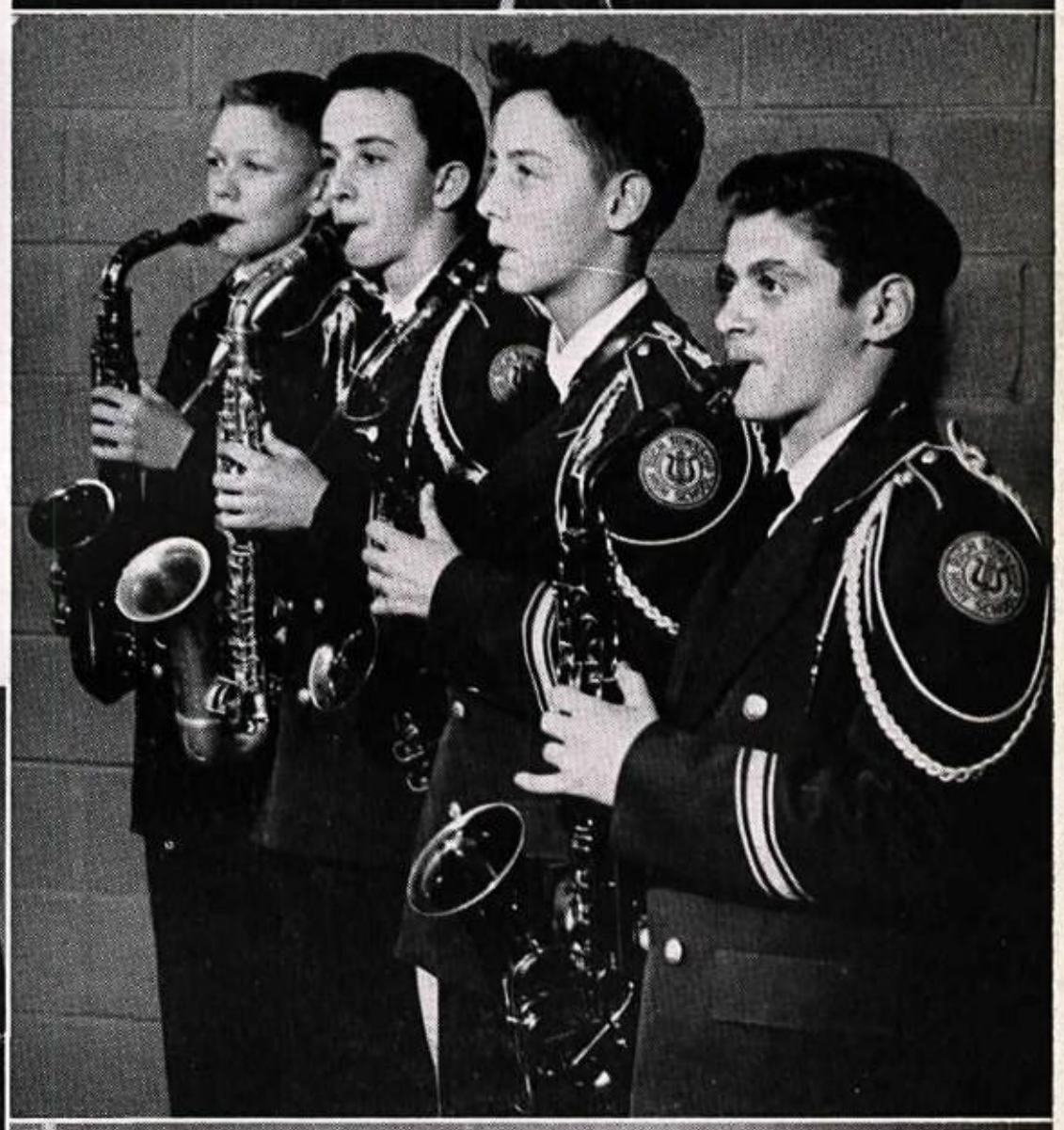
The Rich High Band is one of the most active organizations in school. They made twenty-five public appearances during the year, including all home football and basketball games, several community programs and parades, and two formal concerts. The highlight of the year was the annual winter concert on February 10 which featured several individual band members as soloists and included other specialties to make up a most interesting program. A concert was given at Crete-Monee High School and another concert in the spring, along with the chorus groups.

The Band had twelve entries in the district music contest at Oswego and five won honors. One went on to win a Division I rating in the state contests.

The climax of music activities for the year was the awards banquet on May 26.

The Band officers are: President, Dick Mason; Vice-President, Joanne Stewart; Secretary-Treasurer, Ruth Lustfeldt; Librarian, Ginny Zucks; Quartermaster, Andy Lundquist; Assistant Quartermaster, Phil Hineline; Drum Major, John Millard.

— Ginny Zucks



Choral Club

The Rich High Choral Club consists of 90 sophomores, juniors and seniors. Twenty-six of these members were advanced to Choir in February but still participated in Choral Club Activities.

Throughout this last year Choral Club has been busy preparing and presenting concerts and other programs. Some of these were: the Annual Christmas Vespers Service, December 12; singing for teachers on their institute day, February 22; the Easter Concert, April 6; Spring Concert, May 20; Baccalaureate Service, June 5; social for Seniors and Choir Mothers, June 6; and Commencement, June 10.

All of it wasn't just hard work, though. There were several parties and social activities, including the November 24 Harvest Party.

— Nancy Jacobs

Freshman

Freshman Chorus

The Freshman Chorus, consisting of 120 students, were chosen this year by Mr. Hoel from the incoming freshmen. They elected the following officers: Phil Hineline, president; John Brimell, vice-president; Pat Moore, secretary-treasurer. The librarians were Judy Millar, Pat Leverick, Judy Gilbertson, and Harry Spurrier.

This year the chorus presented the Thanksgiving assembly and participated in the Christmas program and Spring Concert. They also went on tour to the Matteson and Blackhawk Grade Schools.

— *Sharon Heald*

Girls' Ensemble

The girls' ensemble, composed of nine freshman girls, has sung on several different occasions this year. The first was at the Thanksgiving assembly, when they sang *Bless This House*. They also performed for a group of eighth grade students for the Matteson public schools. The ensemble was a spontaneous success.

Members of the girls' ensemble were Elaine Jacobsen, alto; Judy Millar, second soprano; Diane Dunscomb, second soprano; Sue Stelt, alto; Donna Garrett, alto; Jean Foote, second soprano; and Pat Moore, Jane Guess, and Bunny Ogden, sopranos.

— *Dave Perlmutter*

Choir

The Rich High Choir is a selected group of Juniors and Seniors. They started the year with a choir party which was given by the Choir Mothers. Choir Mother activities included Birthday Calendars, stationery sale, and general Choir support.

The choir sent several soloists and an ensemble to the District Music Contest. The whole group went to Peoria for the State Music Contest. Here they won a "superior" rating and are rated the best choir in Illinois.

Besides the annual Christmas, Easter, and Spring Concerts, Choir activities included the Awards Banquet and the Spring Tour. On the tour they gave four performances: the first at Fenville, Michigan, the second at Allegon and the last two at Chesterton, Indiana.

This year has been quite a busy and successful one. We couldn't have done all this without the help of the Steering Committee of the Choir Mothers and the officers of the Choir. The Steering Committee consists of Mrs. L. C. Stewart, the chairman, Mrs. H. D. Meyer, Mrs. G. R. McElroy, and Mrs. T. Hawkins. The Choir officers are Joanne Stewart, president; Ken Werk, vice-president; and Robert Jacobs, secretary. But the most important person of the Choir is the conductor, Mr. W. J. Hoel.

— *Bonnie Meyer*

W. JAY HOEL
Vocal Director

Baton Twirling

An added attraction to the Rich High Band are the twirlers. They have twirled at various football and basketball games, concerts, and special community events.

Drum major of the band is John Millard, a senior who not only twirls but also leads the marching band. Seven other flashy twirlers, all girls, are Judy Miller, Diane Pettingell, Bonnie Schffler, Cathy Coffey, Carolyn Lamblin, Donna Paterson, and Sondra Sohm. Lending additional style and color are two flag twirlers, Nancy Jacobs and Barbara White.

The highlight of the year came when the baton trio consisting of Diane Pettingell, Cathy Coffey and Sondra Sohm received a superior rating in the district music contest, enabling them to enter the state contest and place highly. All but John Millard return to Rich next year.

— Nancy Jacobs

"Caught Unawares"

RICH-ites at SPORTS . . .

"WE'RE from Rich and couldn't be prouder!" This cry was heard many times during the year as Rich fans turned out to cheer their teams on to victory.

The varsity football team started the ball rolling by bettering last season's record and chalking up a conference championship for Rich.

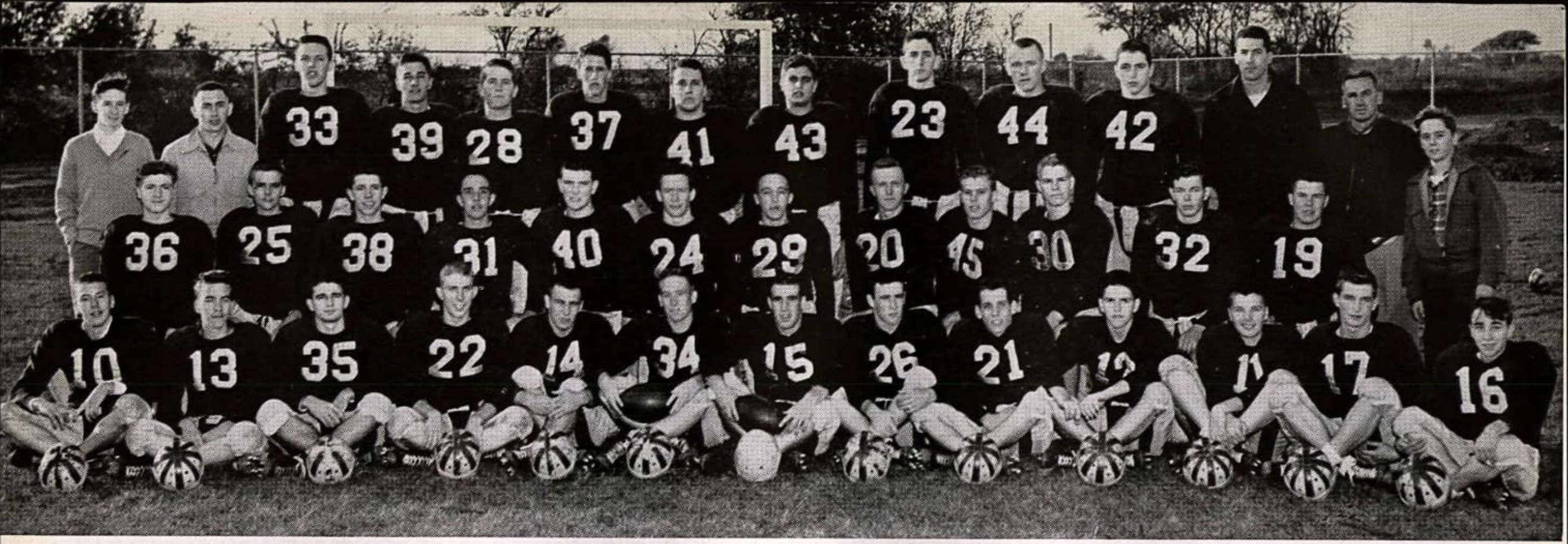
The varsity wrestling squad showed a definite improvement this year, winning 6 of their 14 matches and placing fourth in the conference. Don Milligan went on to the state wrestling finals in Champaign before he was eliminated by the eventual state champion.

Our basketball team started the year knowing that it would not be easy to fill the shoes of last year's team. However, they exceeded all expectations by winning 25 of their 28 games during the season, capturing the conference, regional, and sectional championships, and traveling downstate to compete in the "Sweet Sixteen" Illinois high school basketball tournament.

The baseball team showed much improvement over last year's squad with eight lettermen returning to the team. The track team, sparked by many returning lettermen, posted a good season's slate, breaking many records in the process. The golf team played a full schedule of matches with neighboring high schools and gave a fine account of themselves. Athletically as in every other way, we're from Rich — couldn't be prouder.

— *Joe Ogden*

ATHLETICS



Varsity Football

In its second season of play, the varsity Rocket football team was undefeated in conference encounters to win the conference championship. Posting a total season's record of six wins, one loss, and one tie, they bettered last year's achievement on the gridiron.

Outstanding play was shown by Ray Logan, senior guard, and Ron Nelson, senior tackle. Ray was named to the Chicago American's All-State football player by his team mates. Top play was shown by Bob Purcell, junior halfback, who was given a berth on the first string all-conference squad.

Other mainstays of the team included Roger Taylor at quarterback, Jerry Jonas at halfback, and Gavin O'Brien at center. Fine offensive play was demonstrated by fullback Bill Sedlacek, end Bill Hawkins, halfback Dick Mason, and end Tom Lockwood. Halfback John Ottenberg and end Larry McIntire starred defensively for the Rockets.

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCORES FOR 54-55 SEASON

Rich 16	Geneva 19	Rich 14	Oaklawn 6
Rich 12	Morgan Park Military Academy 6	Rich 33	Reavis 7
Rich 26	Clifton Central 14	Rich 13	Bremen 13
Rich 48	Lincolnway 0	Rich 21	Carl Sandburg 7

Frosh-Soph Football

Coach Patterson's little Rockets culminated their second season with a conference championship. They ran through a schedule of nine games with no defeats and one tie.

At starting tackle for the little Rockets Bill Martin and Jim Logan shared the chores while Tony Petullo, center; John Wilson, Milke Phillips and Ken Shelling, guards; Clarence Nykl and Steve Hunt, ends, rounded out the line.

Jim Trummel proved himself worthy of a starting slot at halfback by being the leading scorer in the SWS Conference. Rounding out the backfield were Jim Trummel, half back; Skip Price, fullback; and Bruce Pradin, quarterback.

Won 8 Lost 0 Tied 1

Rich	12	Geneva	2
Rich	13	Crete	7
Rich	33	Morgan Park Military	6
Rich	26	Clifton Central	0
Rich	19	Oak Lawn	7
Rich	26	Reavis	14
Rich	32	Lincolnway	0
Rich	13	Breman	13
Rich	19	Carl Sandburg	0

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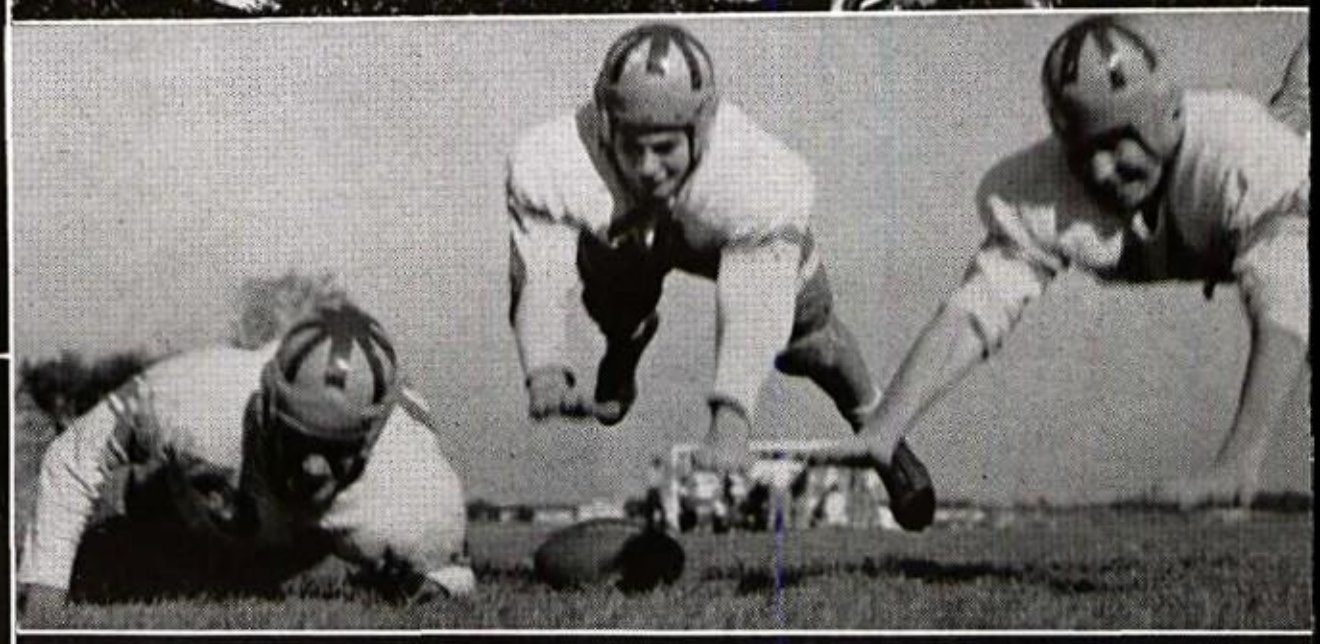
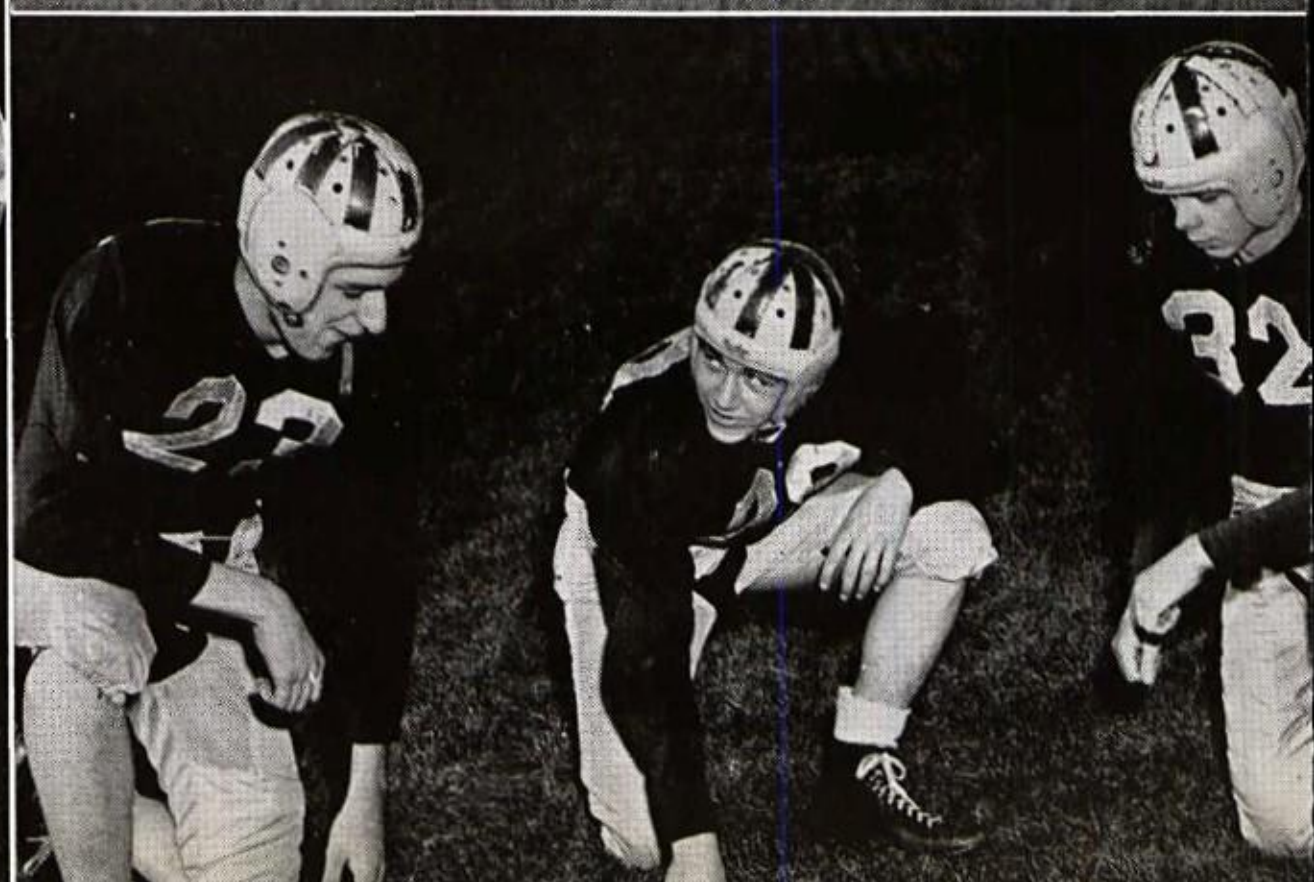




OPPOSITE PAGE:

Upper Left: Coach Burghardt and Ron Tschudy, the man he wants kept out of the play.

Lower Left: Tom Lockwood gets away a fifty-yard punt.

Upper Right: Dick Mason weaves his way through opposition.

Middle Right: Three Rich Rockets pounce on a fumbled ball during practice season.

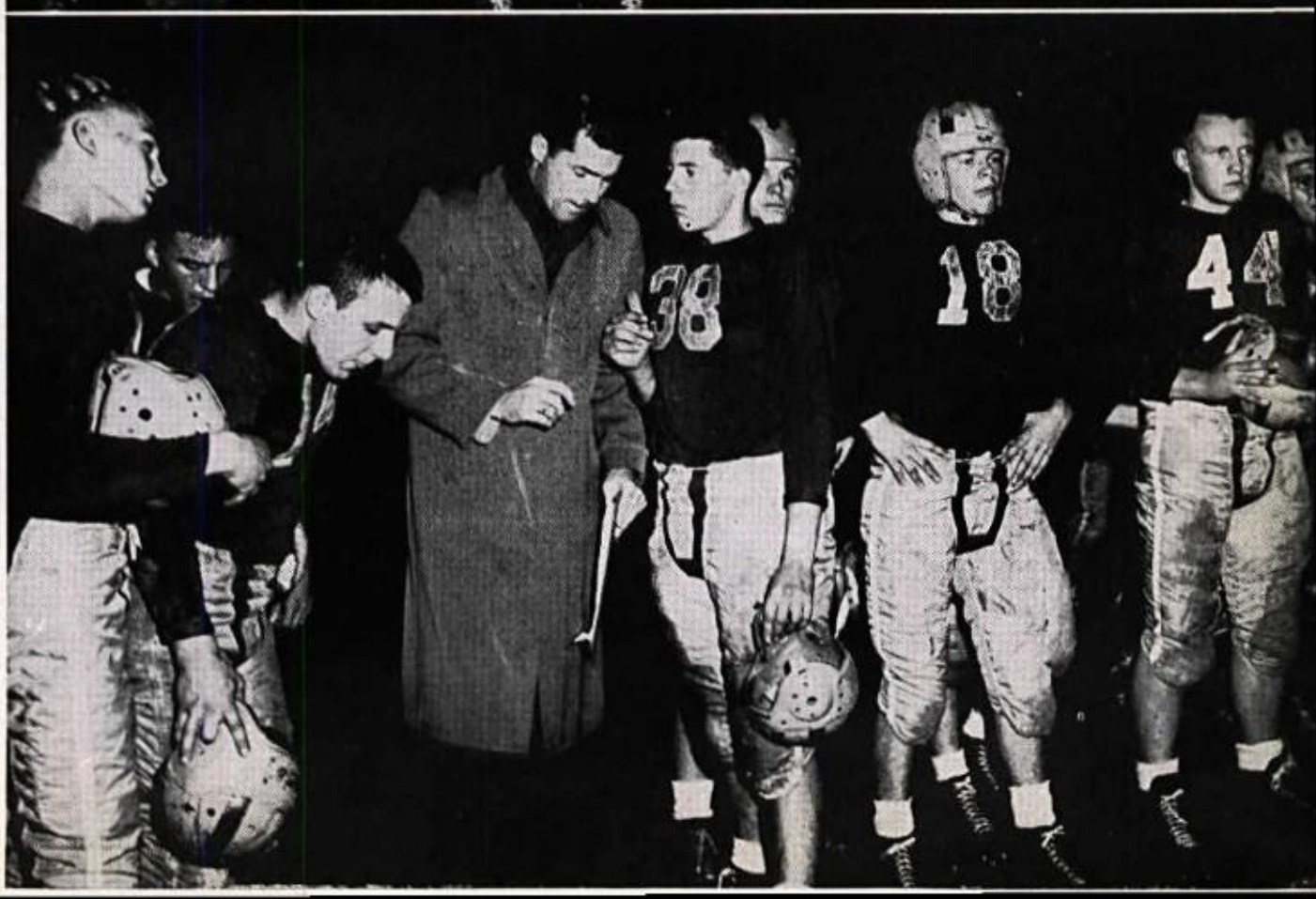
Bottom Right: Ralph Meyers, Larry McIntire and Marty Solberg plan strategy.

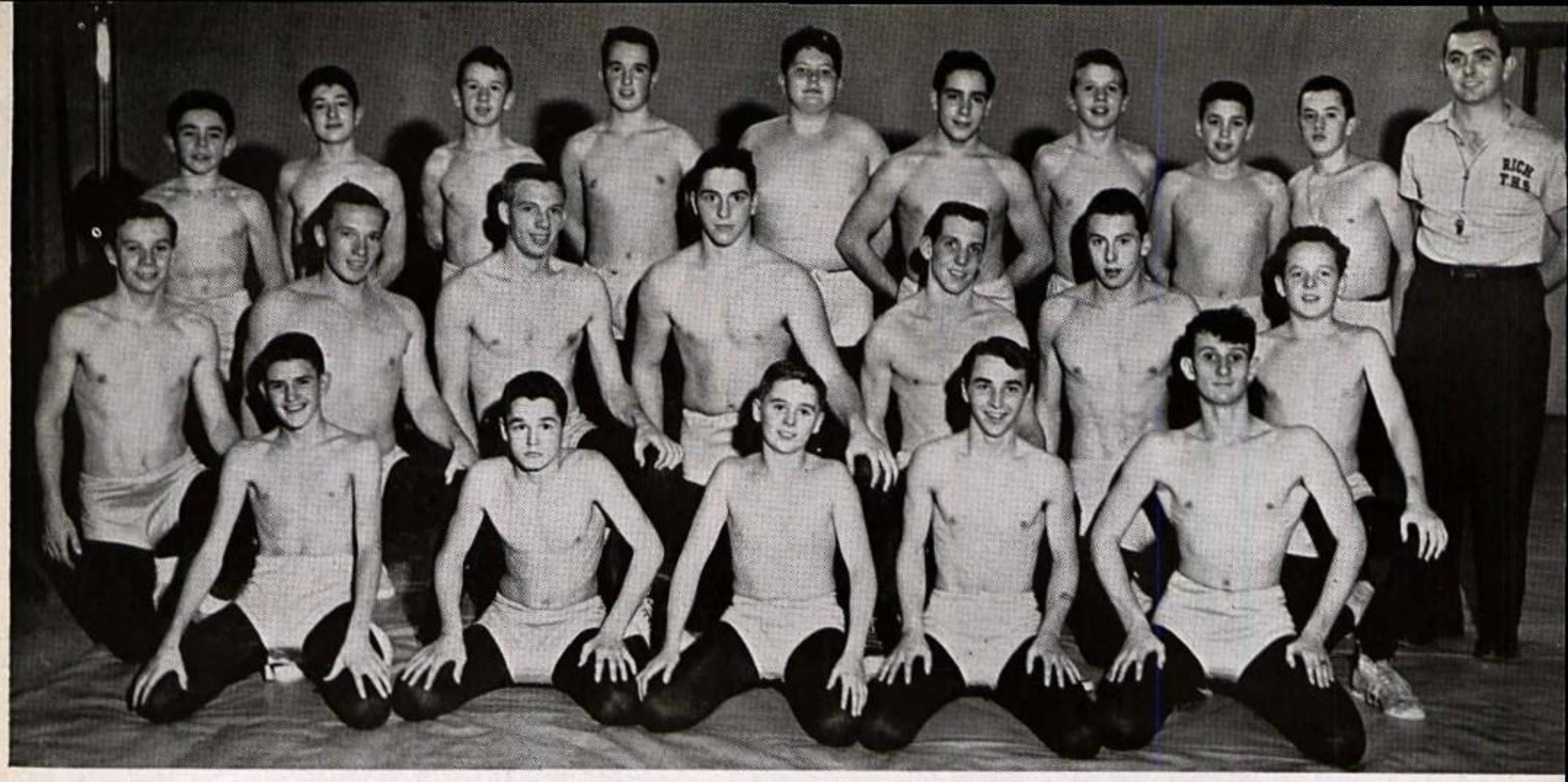
RIGHT:

Top: Bill Hawkins checks his man and heads out for a short pass.

Middle: Another touchdown to their credit.

Bottom: Steve Phillips, Dick Gilliam, Coach VanderWeyden, Larry Fuller, Ron Tschudy, Marty Solberg, Bill Sedlacek, and Don Buhle show the let-down after the Rich-Reavis game.





Wrestling

Rich's wrestling team, headed by coach Minerick, took fourth in the conference with a season record of six wins and eight losses. The team has made great strides over last year and should continue to do so, due to the valuable experience they are gaining. One of the mainstays of the team, Don Milligan, competed in sectional matches, taking a second place. He then went down state to Champaign, where he earned fifth place in state competition.

Various holds are illustrated in the accompanying pictures such as the standing position, down position, rides, and pinning holds. The purpose of the circle is to designate the boundaries of the opponents while in standing position.

Rich.....42	Orland Park 13	Rich.....26	Morgan Park 18
Rich.....22	Morgan Park 20	Rich..... 5	Oak Lawn 44
Rich.....16	Oswego 30	Rich.....14	Bremen 28
Rich.....56	Lincolnway 0	Rich..... 0	Reavis 50
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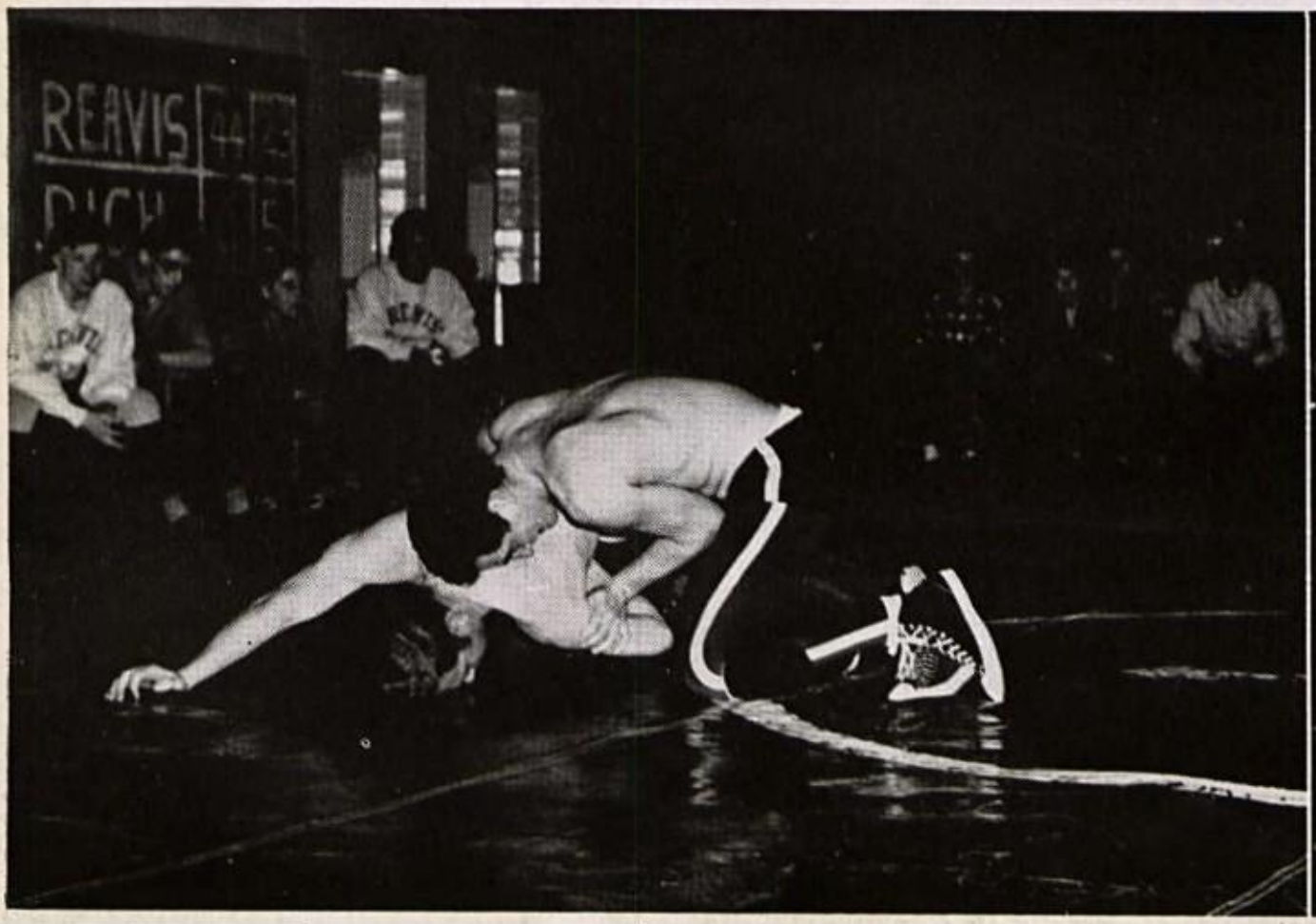
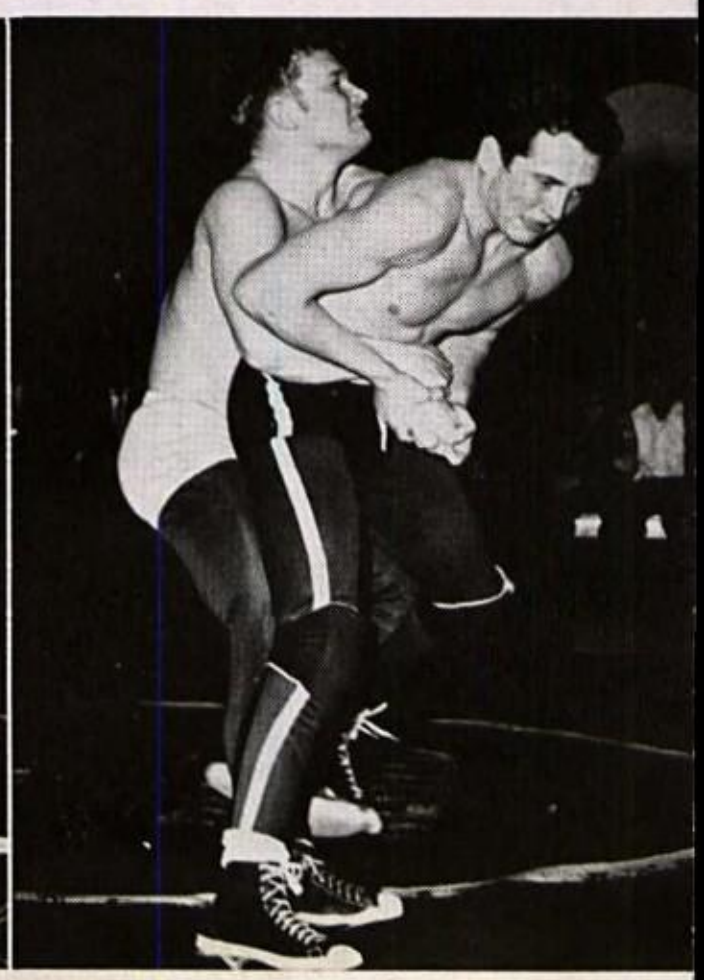
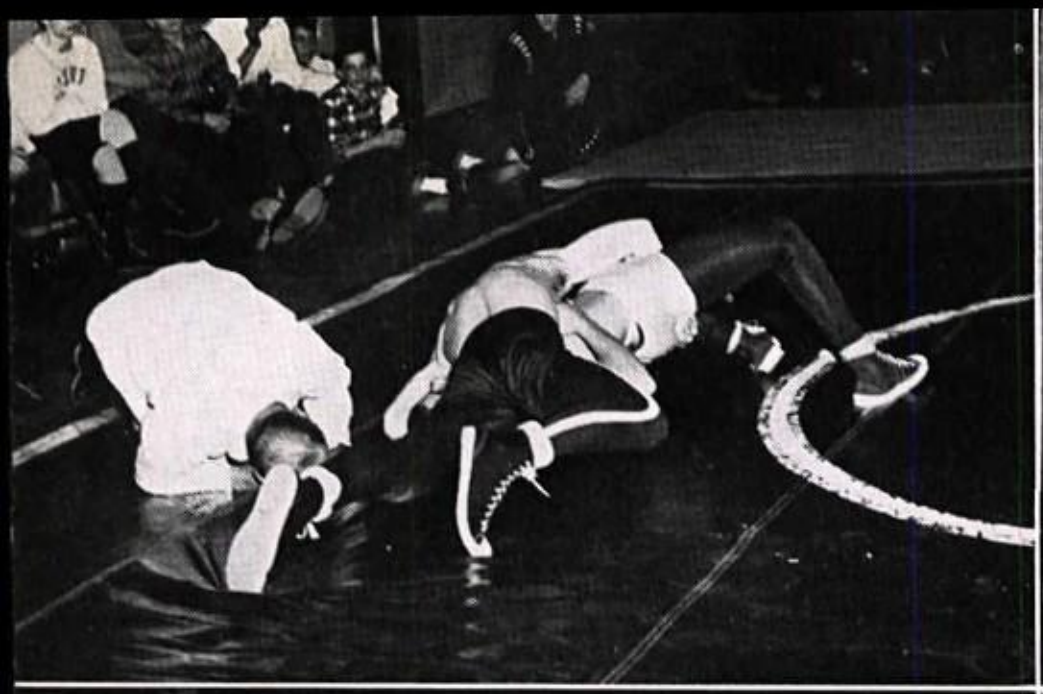
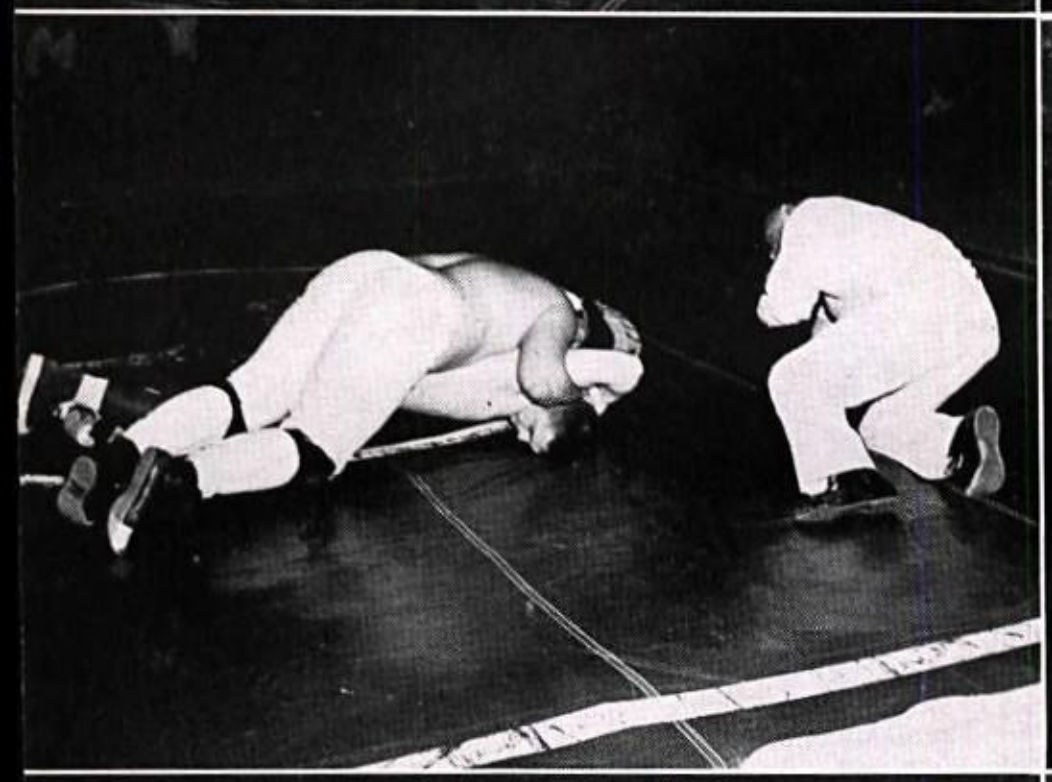
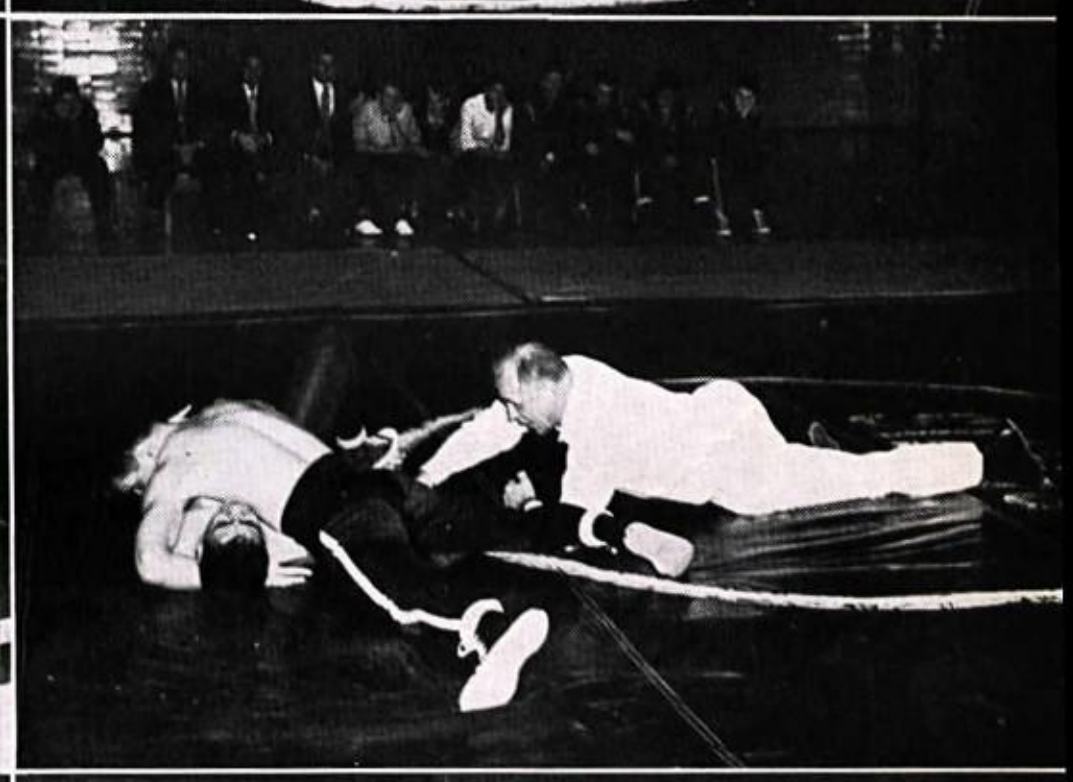
Rich.....45	Carl Sandburg 12	Rich..... 8	Joliet 40
Rich.....13	Joliet 33	Rich.....46	Lincolnway 10

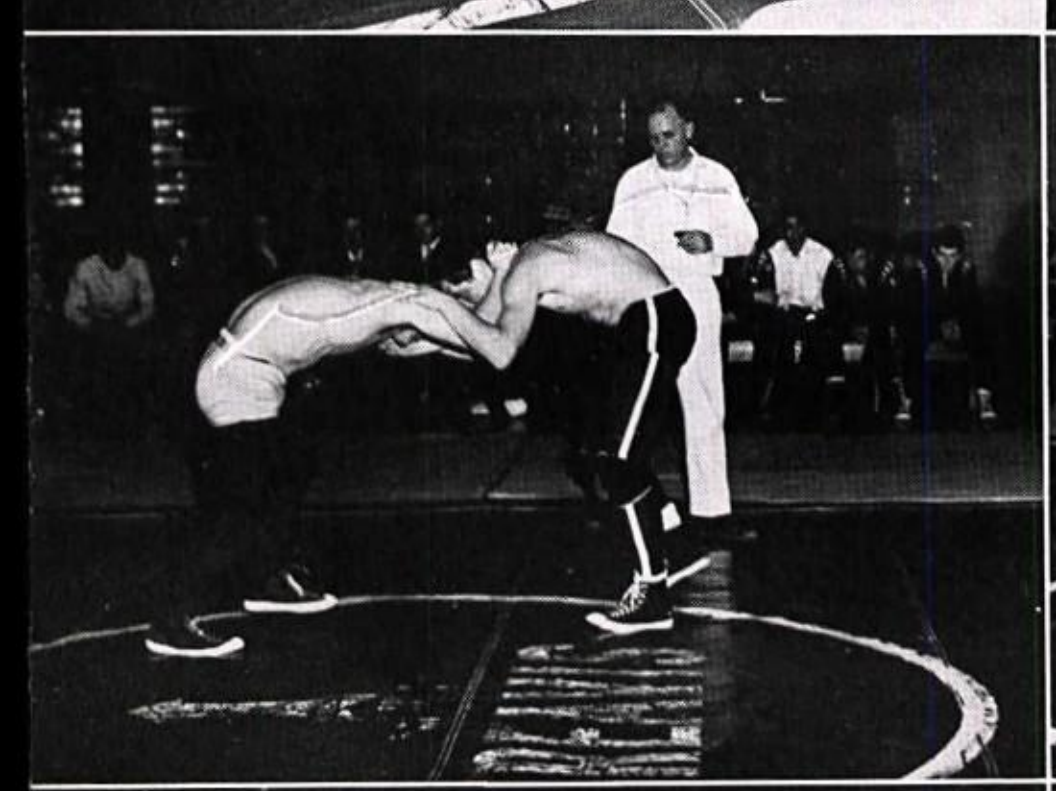


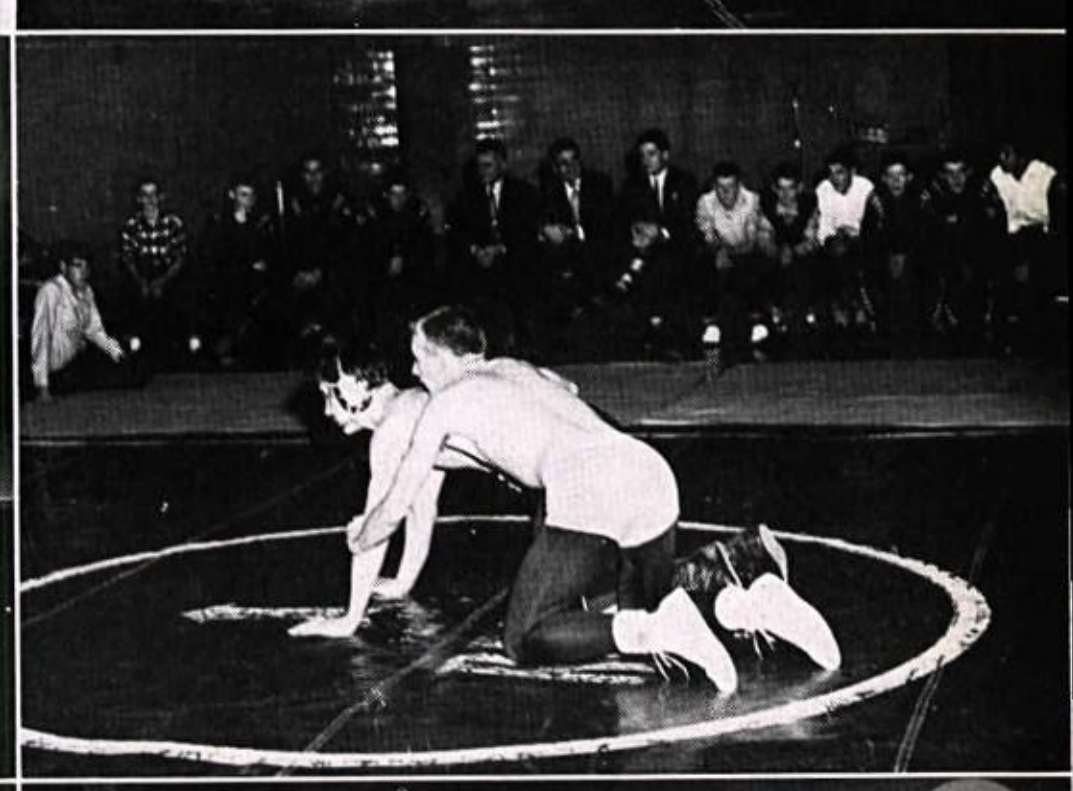


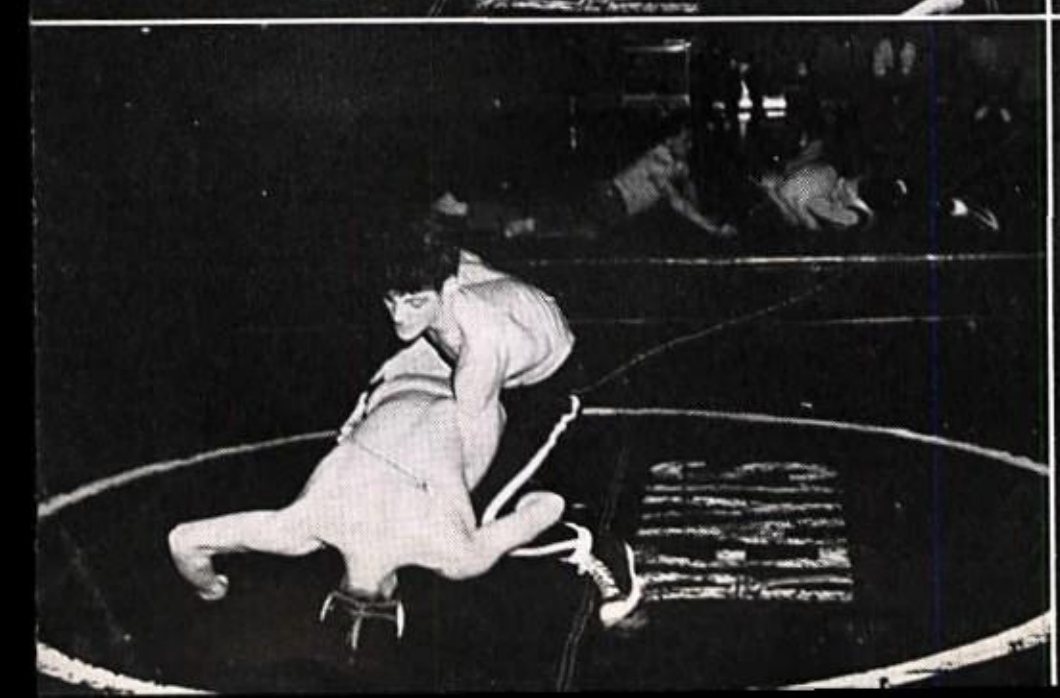












Varsity Basketball

VARSITY			
Rich	63	Wheaton	73
Rich	71	Dyer	48
Rich	73	Bremen	54*
Rich	91	MPMA	57
Rich	67	Reavis	32*
Rich	55	Bloom	77
Rich	89	Sandburg	53*
Rich	77	Argo	46
Rich	81	Lincoln-Way	32*
Rich	66	Thornton	61
Rich	130	Wilmington	72
Rich	90	Oak Lawn	66*
Rich	96	Bremen	66*
Rich	86	Joliet	76
Rich	65	Reavis	37*
Rich	94	Beecher	30
Rich	91	Sandburg	50*
Rich	106	Crete	39
Rich	93	Lincoln-Way	36*
Rich	76	Fractional	61
Rich	108	Oak Lawn	66*
Rich	94	Argo	47

* Denotes conference game

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT			
Rich	74	Peotone	53
Rich	72	Bloom	69
Rich	69	Kankakee	66

SECTIONAL			
Rich	106	Aurora East	76
Rich	72	Thornton	57

STATE			
Rich	56	Shawneetown	61

Rich's 1954-1955 basketball team coached by Mr. Sloan and Mr. Vanderweyden started the season realizing that they had a tough schedule ahead of them.

They started this season by dropping the first game to Wheaton. Five games later Bloom, seeking revenge from last year downed the Rockets 77-55. From then on it was clear sailing for the Rockets. They went on to beat Thornton, Joliet and Argo twice.

Rich went undefeated during conference play from the second straight year to gain another conference crown.

Rich entered the Regional tournament at Kankakee as our conference representative. They swamped Peotone, turned the tables to beat Bloom and then came from behind to edge out Kankakee for the Regional title.

At the sectionals in Hinsdale, the Rockets swamped Aurora East and then won the decisive game against Thornton to earn a berth in the "Sweet Sixteen."

From Hinsdale the mighty Rich Rockets traveled to Champaign to be edged out of further competition by Shawneetown 61-56.

We should all be proud of our championship team which has brought much honor and recognition to our school.

— Joe Ogden

Frosh-Soph Basketball

Coach Bill Burghardt's Frosh-soph basketball team added another trophy to the trophy case by winning the Southwest Suburban Conference championship this year. They lost but one conference game and ended the season on top of the standings with a record of nine wins and one loss. The conference title was the second straight won by Mr. Burghardt's little Rockets.

In their non-conference encounters, the little Rockets finished the season with a total record of fourteen wins against nine losses.

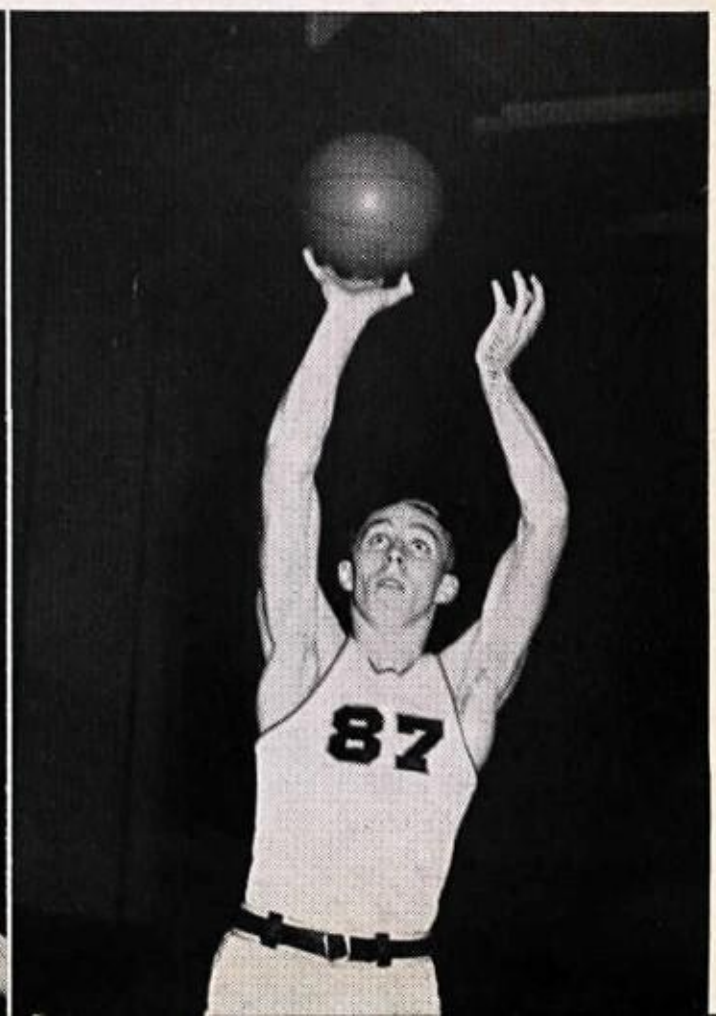
Pictured below are the starting five, of which are both Bill Hawkins and Roger Taylor received positions on the all conference team.

To the right is Captain Roger Taylor, who was named all conference, all Chicago American and All-State. Roger paced the Rockets to a berth in the "Sweet Sixteen."

—Joe Ogden

FROSH-SOPH

Rich	52	Wheaton	44
Rich	51	Dyer	30
Rich	51	Bremen	48
Rich	68	MPMA	27
Rich	56	Reavis	39
Rich	33	Bloom	48
Rich	34	Sandburg	37
Rich	42	Argo	46
Rich	59	Oak Lawn	26
Rich	34	Joliet	73
Rich	38	Reavis	27
Rich	53	Beecher	50
Rich	37	Sandburg	27
Rich	43	Crete	48
Rich	66	Lincoln-Way	49
Rich	53	Fractional	54
Rich	68	Oak Lawn	52
Rich	55	Argo	36
Rich	35	Joliet Catholic	46



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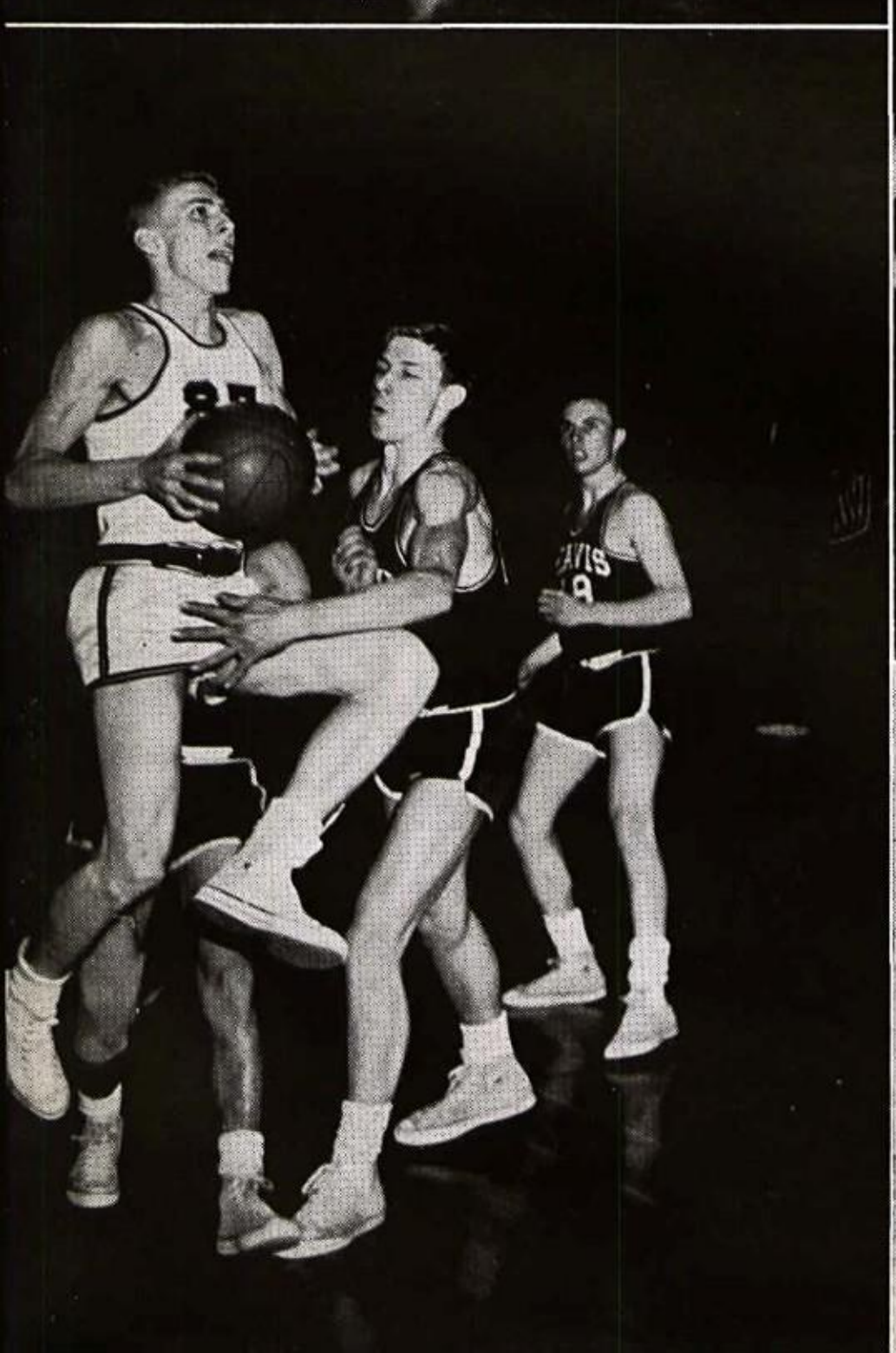

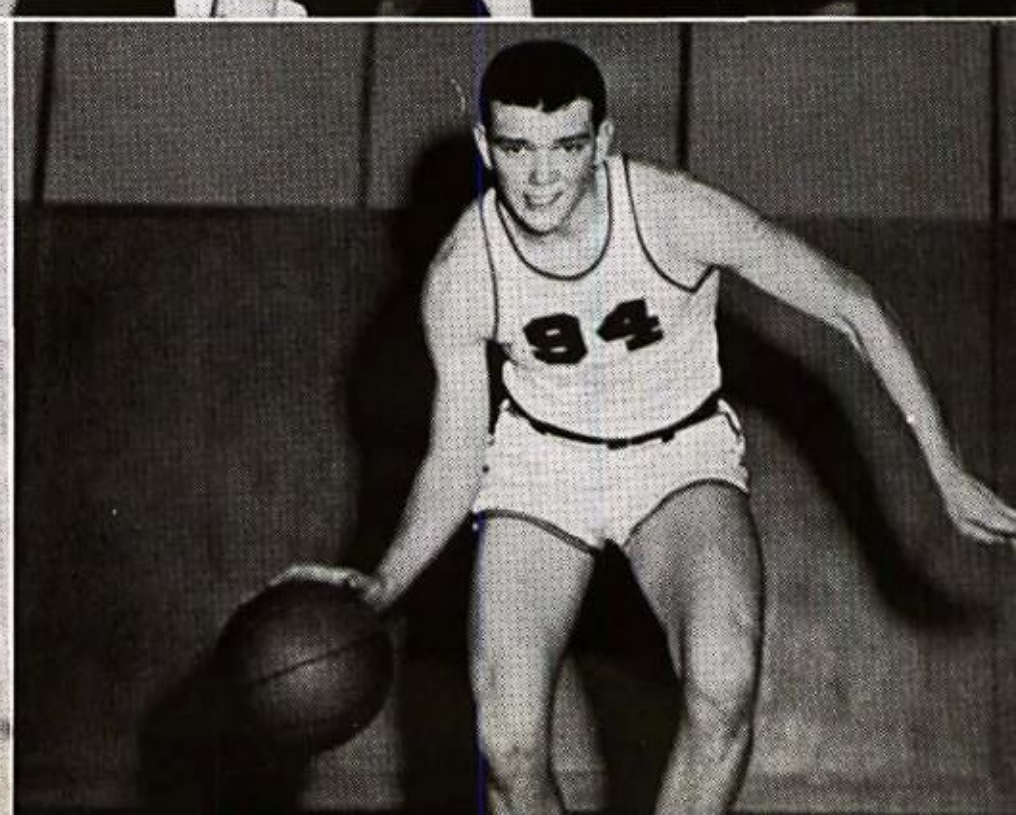
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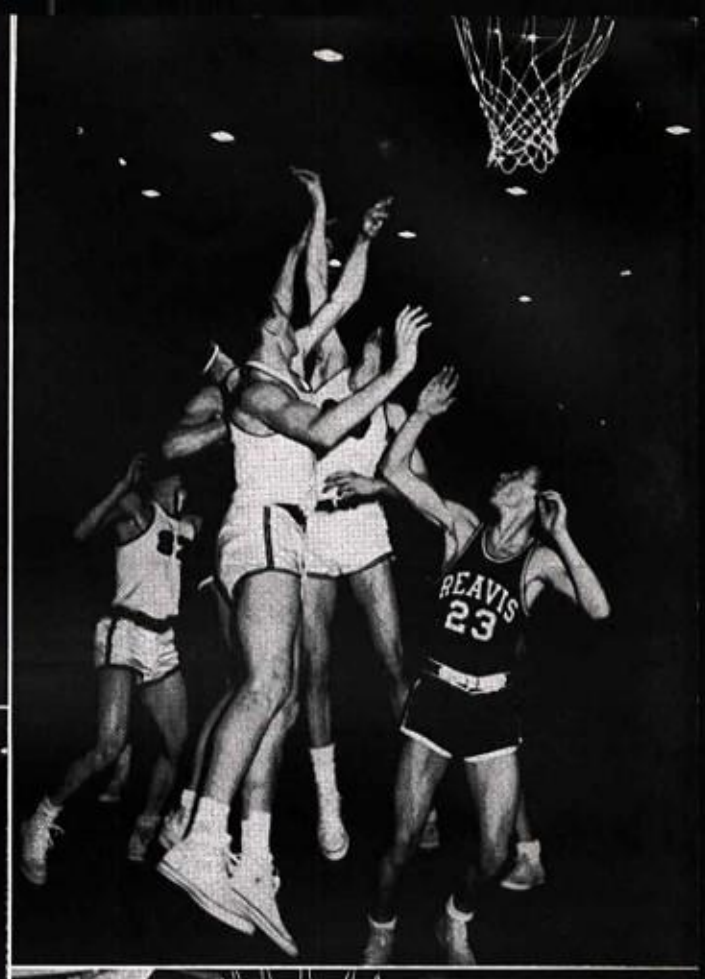
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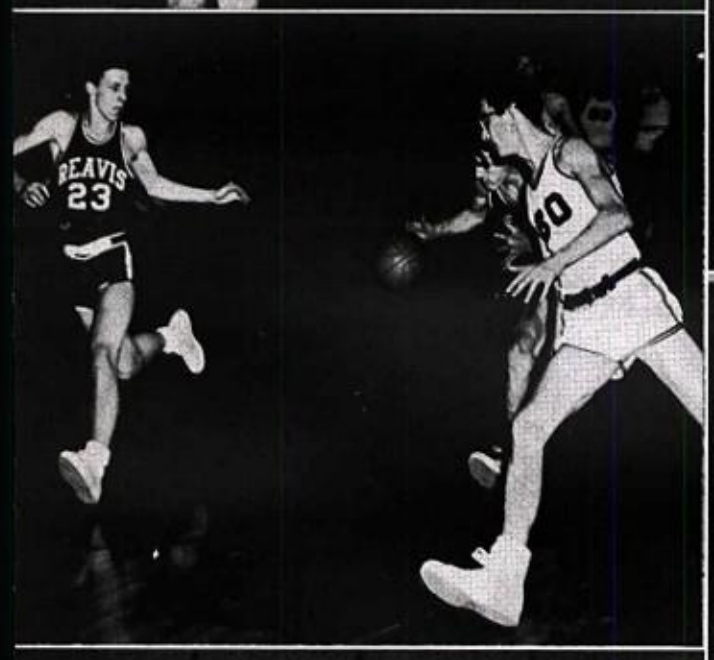
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Cheerleading

Go, Go, Go! This has been the motto expressed by many Rich students and the cheerleaders in leading the Rockets cheering section.

Besides this cheer there have been more with just as much of that wonderful Rich High spirit. This is significant of the type of participation the students have given in coming to the games and cheering their hardest.

The cheerleaders are elected every Spring for the following year. There are five varsity and five frosh-soph. As a rule the junior group works separately except for specialty cheers and the school song. They are selected by a group of the faculty members and Student Council members for the preliminaries and finally by the student body.

The ten cheerleaders together sponsor sock hops after week-end home games and are honored at the football and basketball banquets.

Much of the school spirit and fine sportsmanship the students have shown is due to the outstanding leadership and cooperation that the cheerleaders have shown. They are truly Conference Champs! We thought they were the best at the Regional Sectionals, and the Sweet Sixteen games too!

— *Roberta Jacobs*

RICH-ites at PLAY . . .

Christmas time is always a happy time in the lives of high school students and the annual Christmas Ball, held in the Social Hall, provided much happiness and gaiety for all Rich High students.

After working long, tedious hours, the Junior class presented their play, "Junior Miss." The play was an obvious success and many students as well as parents turned out for the presentation.

The Junior-Senior Prom is always imagined by girls as something out of a fairy tale. This year's prom was as story-like and as beautiful as ever. The theme for the prom (Sayanora) added an aura of loveliness about the whole dance and the decorations helped create a mood of a sweet farewell to the seniors. Since it is impossible to include pictures from the 1955 prom in this year's book, we have included those from last year.

Rich High students are fortunate to have so many socials held in school. They offer the opportunity of meeting socially and adding many pleasant members to our high school years.

— Elaine Umland

SOCIALS

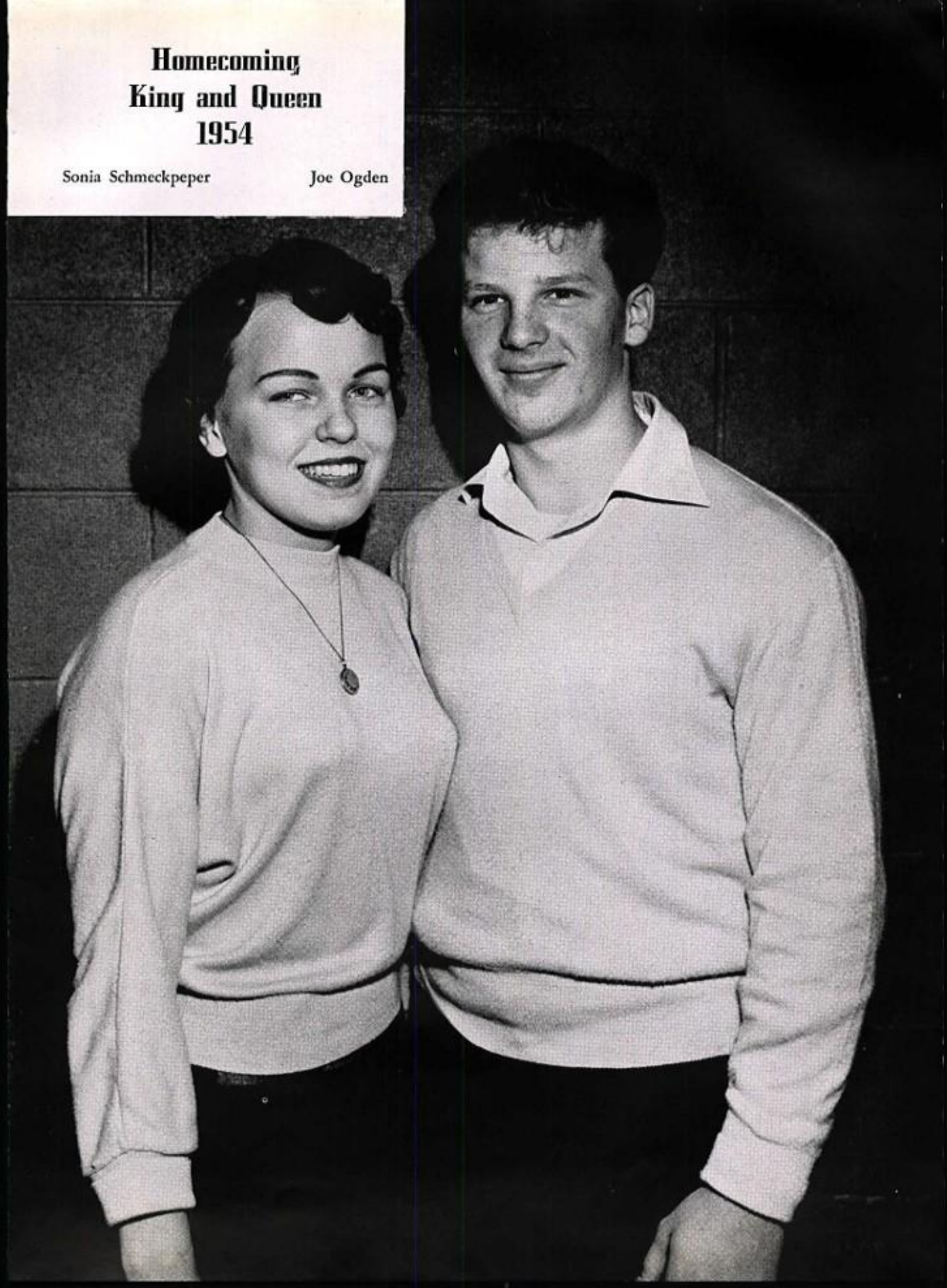
PROM QUEEN — 1954

Carol Bruzelius

Homecoming
King and Queen
1954

Sonia Schmeckpeper

Joe Ogden



MISTLETOE

The magic of mistletoe, blended with silver and blue, lent to our annual Christmas Ball some of the gaiety of Christmastime. Dancers whirled around the lighted Christmas tree to the music of Bob Norman and his orchestra.

The dance was held in the social hall on December 18th. Refreshments were served by the sponsoring juniors in the student lounge.

— Sonia Schmeckpeper

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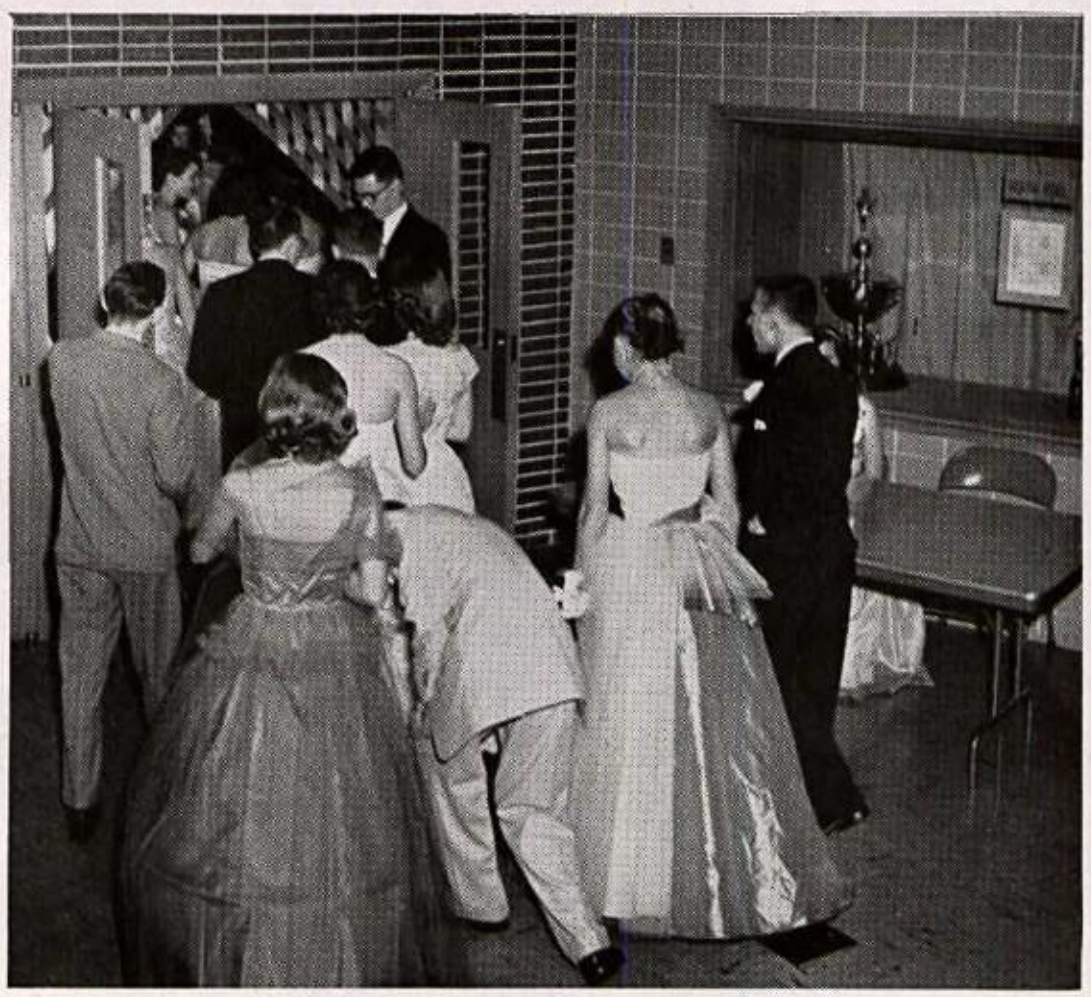
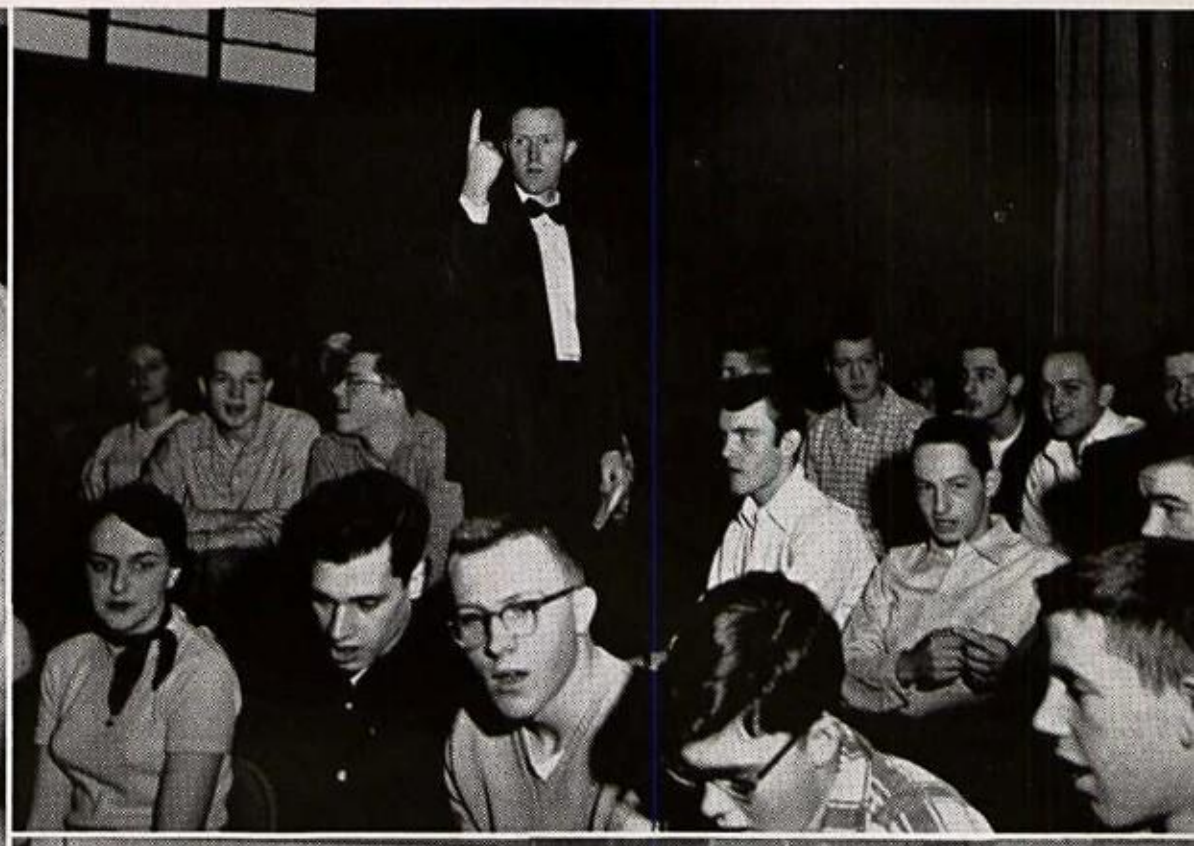


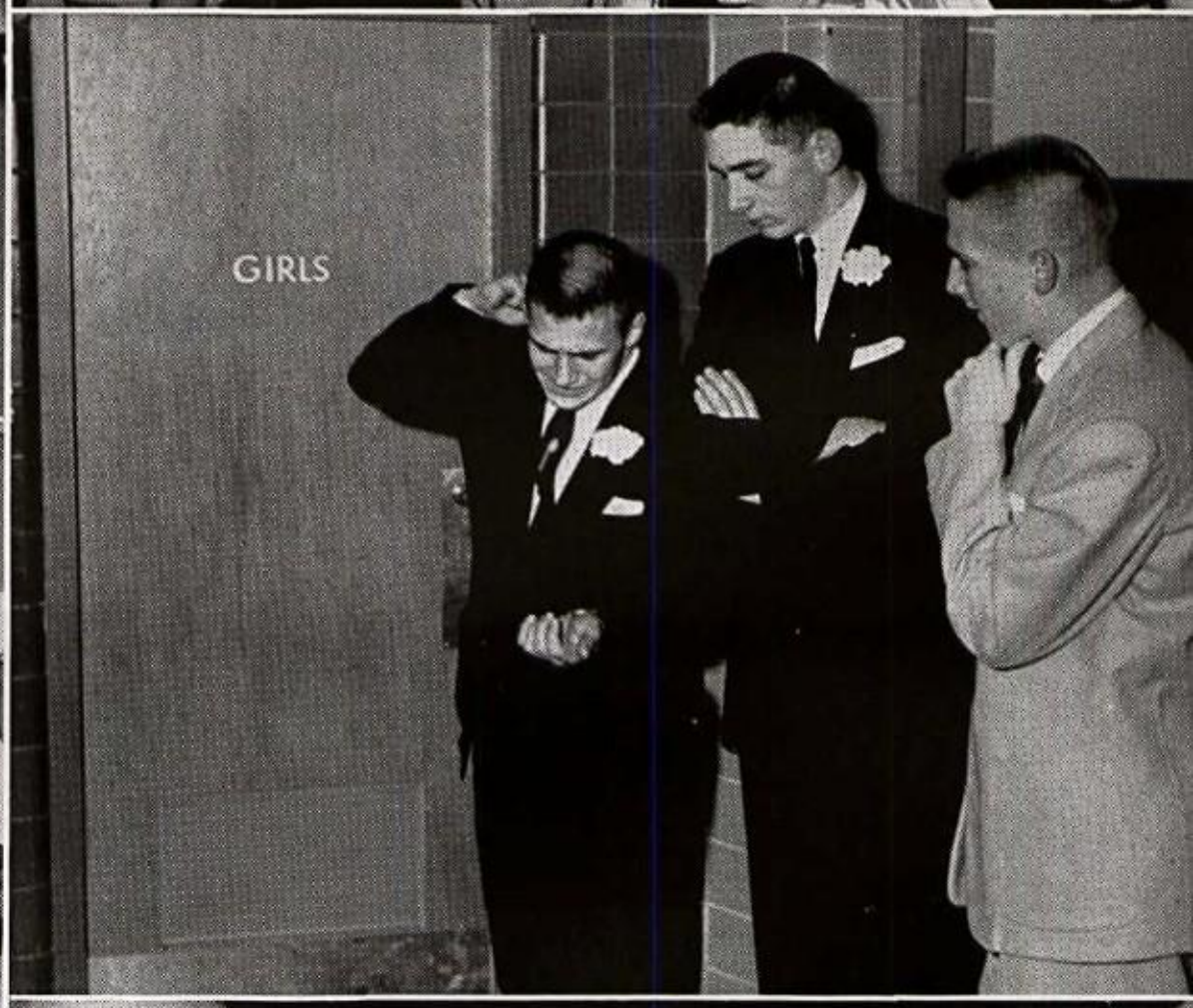
CHRISTMAS BALL 1954

Junior-Senior Prom

Lincolnshire Country Club was the scene for Rich's first annual Junior-Senior Prom held on May 28, 1954. The theme was "Forget-Me-Not" done in blue and silver. At 11:00, the Queen and court were crowned by Gavin O'Brien, president of the Junior Class. Carol Bruzelius was chosen queen, with Beth Parhurst, Elaine Leuring, Nancy Eiben, Sonia Smeckpeper serving in the court. It was the climax of months of hard work and anticipation.

— *Jan Ketchin*

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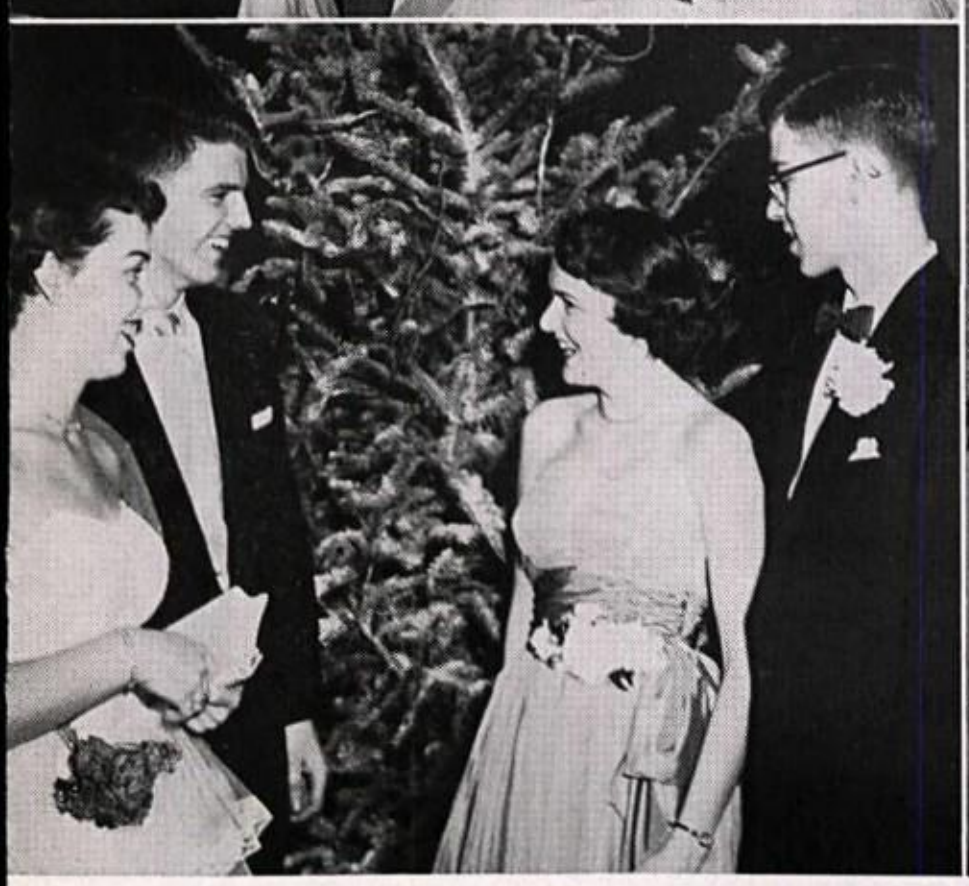

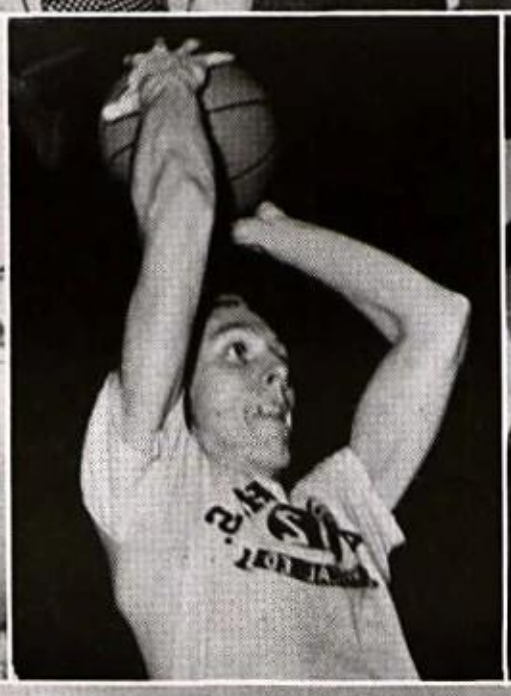

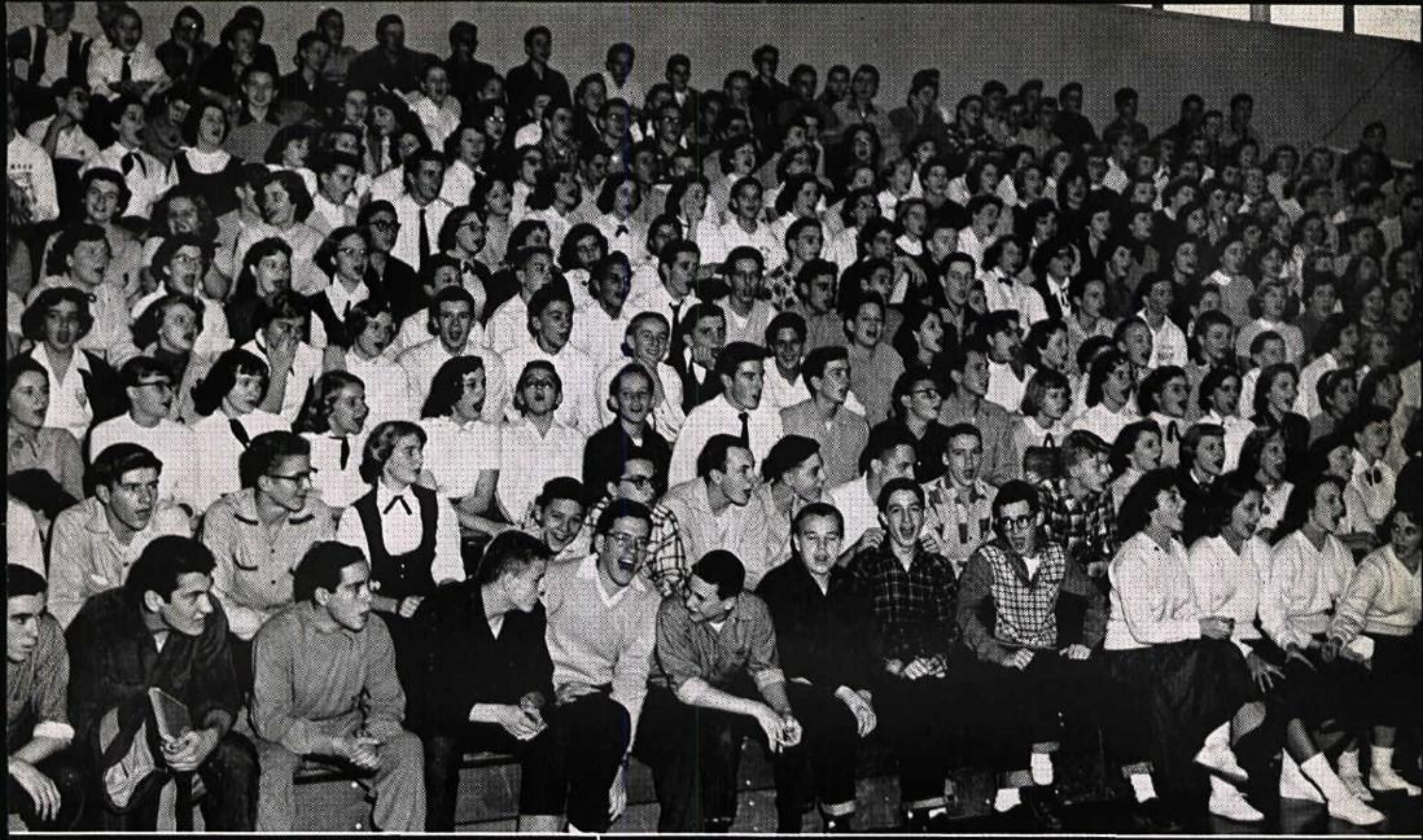

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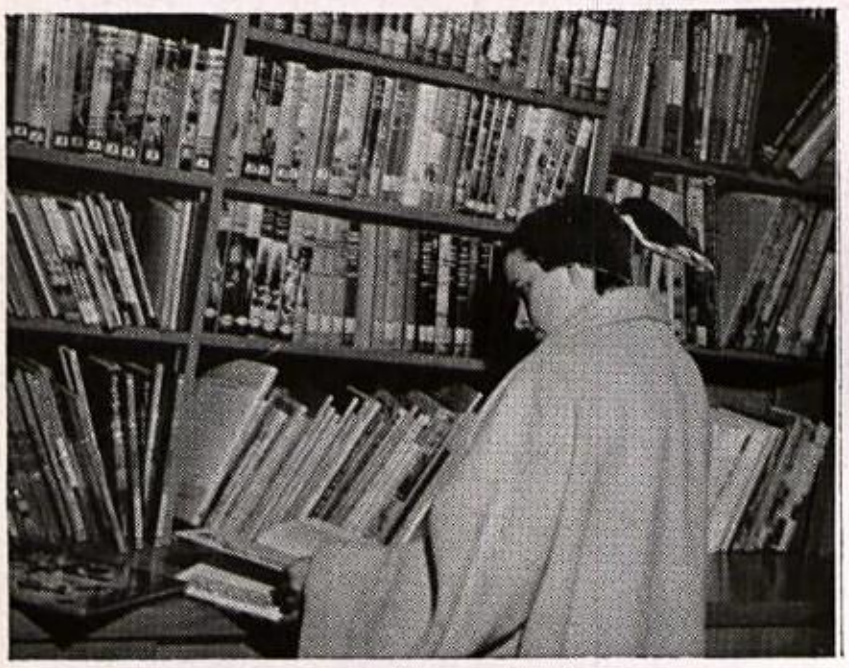

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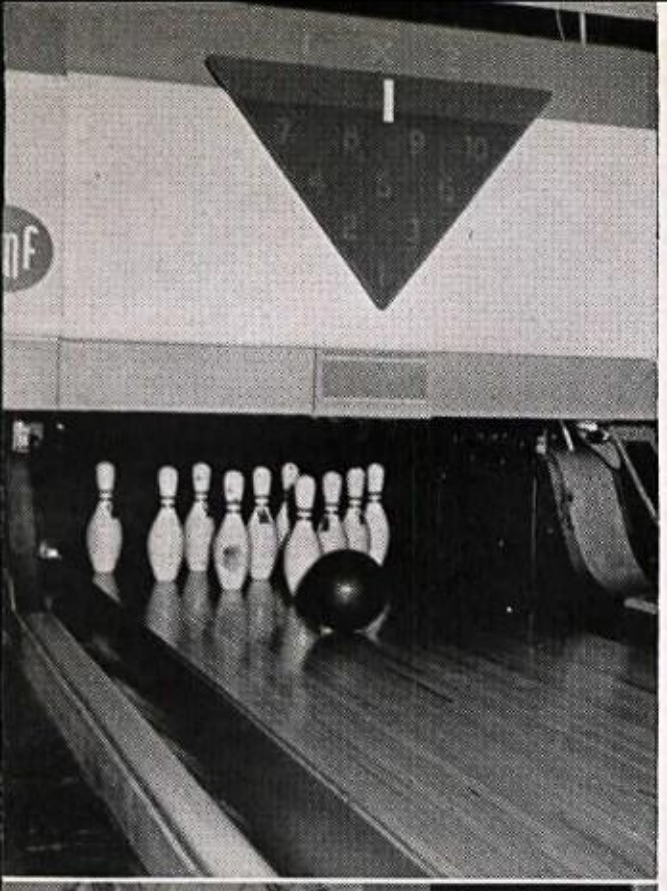

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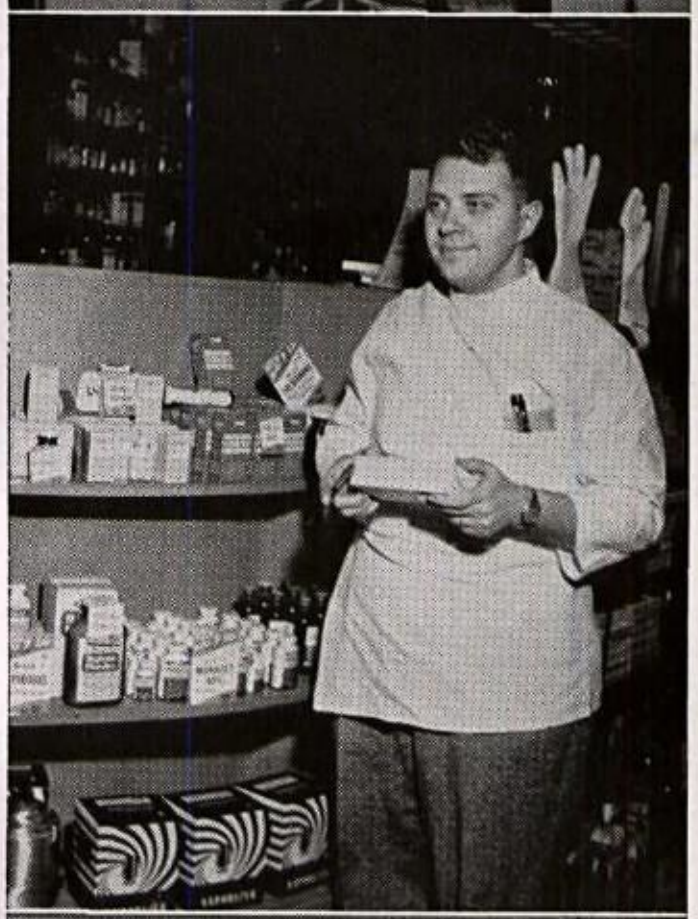

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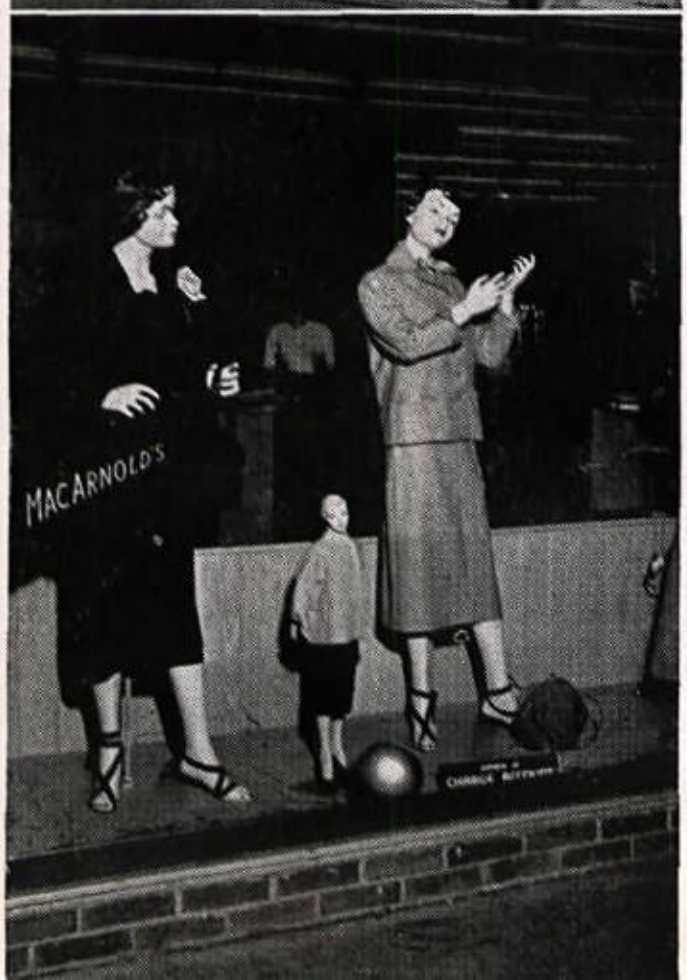

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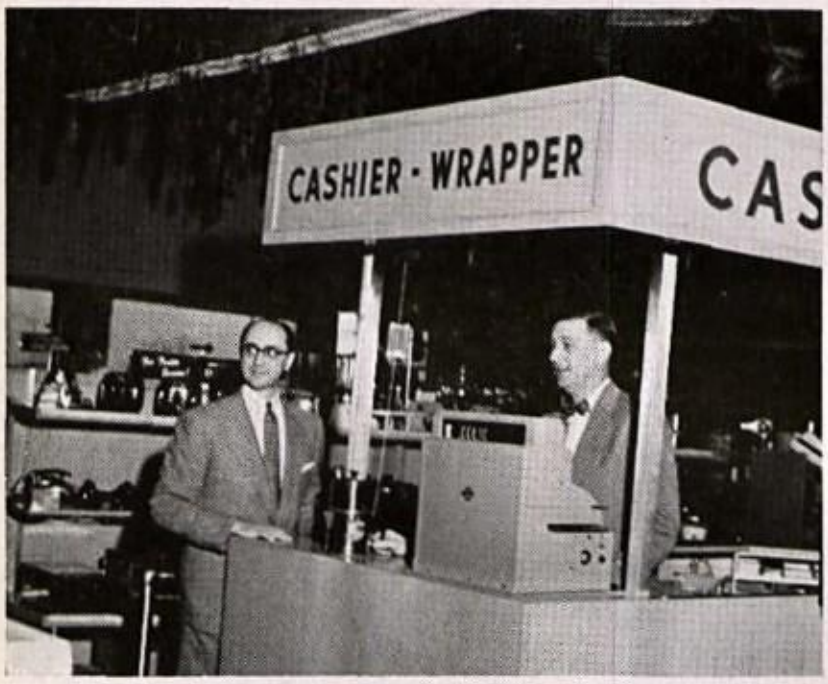

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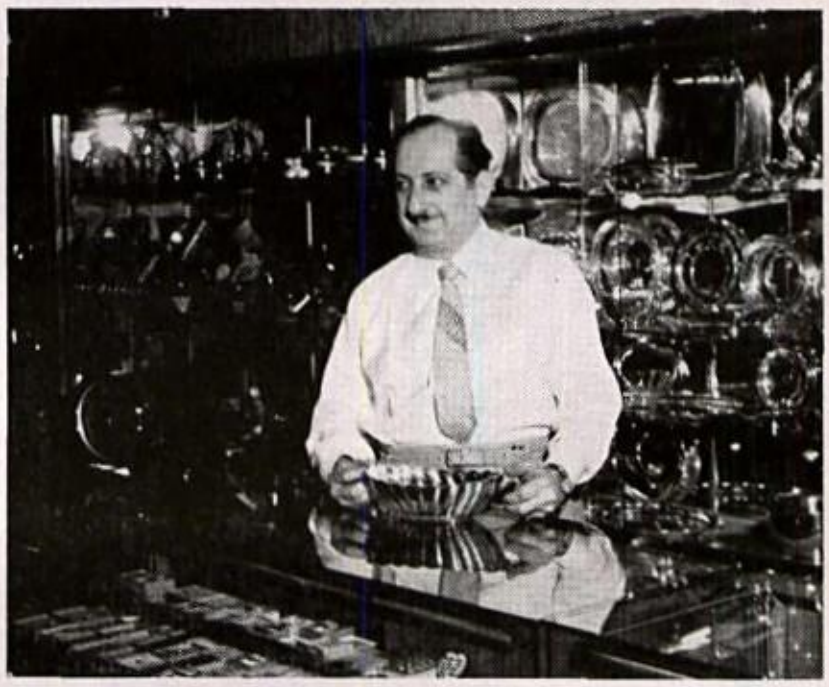

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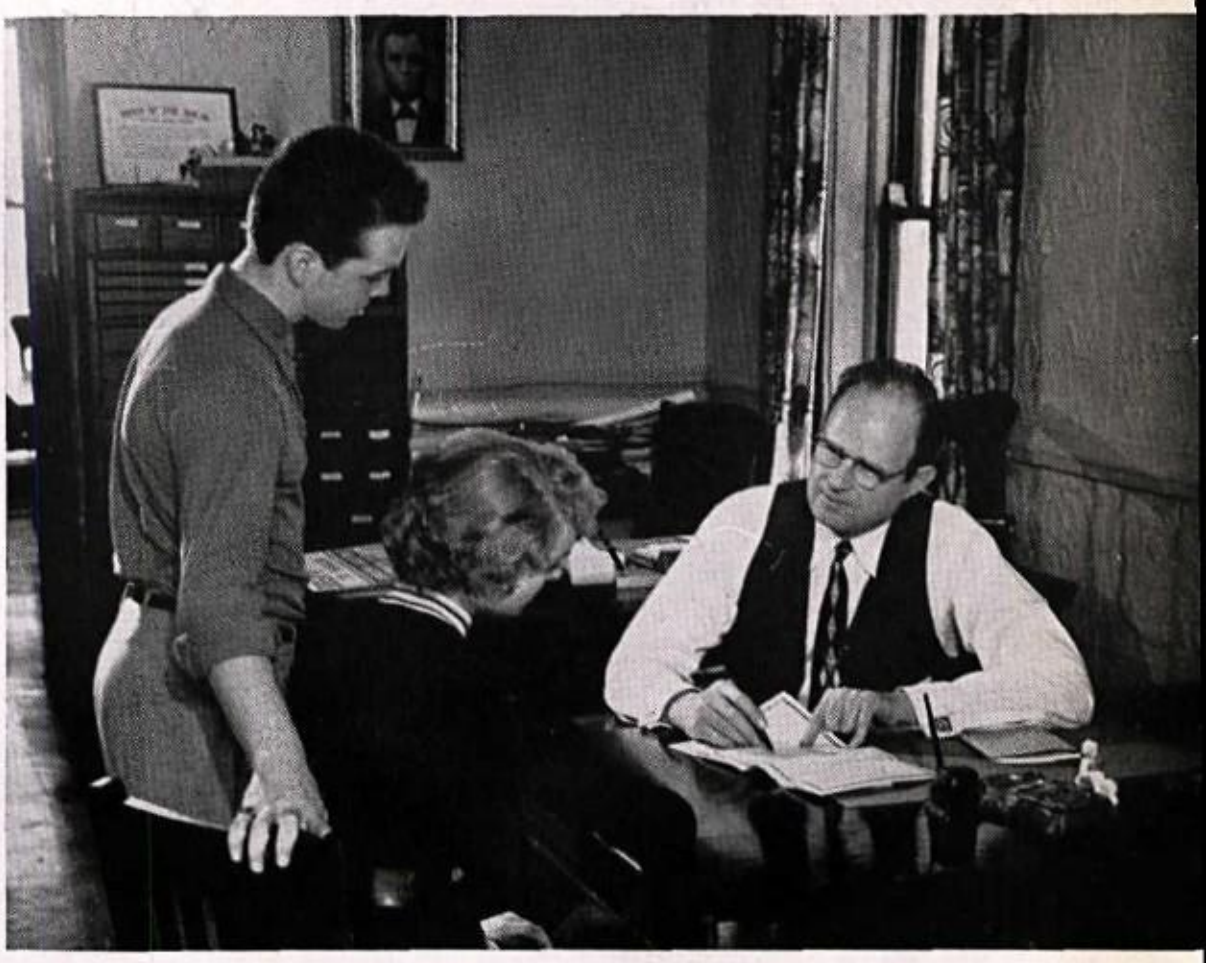

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Love, Judy '53

Good Luck John
You're a real swell buddie
Howard "Woofman"

Lee Ellis

All Luck & Possible
Sue Armstrong
X

Best of Luck to
a swell guy.
Don Davidson

To a swell kid
Bob Harding

Johnny Good luck in
the world to you and
Connie Donna
Jean

Best of Luck
to a wonderful kid
Bette Schultz

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Best of luck
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Dick Hellion

I love you!
Bill Jr. Love ya, Our Carrie
Little Sharp Man a.k.a.

Johnny—
All the luck
in the world to
you. You surely are
a wonderful person
to know.
Good luck to you
and Carrie always
Love—
Sue

to a good writer
Jerry Felton

Dear Anderson
Best of luck to a real guy that I
Ralph Gordon